

## MEATH COUNTY COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE

Library membership is free of charge.

For further information on your nearest library branch please check out

[www.meathlibraries.ie](http://www.meathlibraries.ie)

Meath County Council Library Service has a lot to offer pre-school children and their families

- Parent & toddler groups
- Storytime sessions
- Plus a wide range of books, DVDs and events



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### Aistear Book Collections for pre-schools

A new initiative from Meath County Council Library Service for pre-school curriculum support



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# AISTEAR AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

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**Pre-school learning is all about fun at Meath County Council Library Service.**

**As part of our strategy to engage with pre-school learning, we are delighted to introduce our Aistear collection.**

This is a collection of four sets of titles, grouped together under the four themes of the Aistear framework. The book sets are available exclusively for loan to pre-schools and crèches in Meath.

**How does it work?**



Each set comprises 20-25 books, supporting one of the four themes and can be borrowed for a period of 6 weeks.

These sets are available for loan on a block loan library card, which is available free of charge to pre-school facilitators from any of our libraries. You just need to drop in during library opening hours and join up.

We hope that you, and your young students, will find these books helpful, fun and inspirational.

## THEMES

The theme of **communicating** is about children sharing their experiences, thoughts, ideas and feelings with others. The books in this collection will help children develop their language skills and non-verbal communication skills, inspire young imaginations and help broaden their understanding of the world.

The theme of **well-being** is about children being confident, happy and healthy. The books in this set cover nutrition, self-care and safety. They will also help children to understand the notion of respect for themselves and others, to be resilient and take learning risks. They promote a positive outlook on life and learning and inspire children to be confident in their own abilities and unique qualities.

The theme of **exploring and thinking** is about children making sense of the things, places and people in their world. The books in this collection will inspire children to be curious about their environment, to question and understand how things work, to understand numbers and symbols and develop their own problem-solving skills.

The theme of **identity and belonging** is about children developing a positive sense of who they

are, and feeling that they are valued and respected as part of a family and community. The books in this set will help children to develop strong identities, both as part of a family and as part of a group. They will develop their awareness of friendships, rights, responsibilities and co-operation.

