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Weekly Curriculum Lesson Plans and Physical Activities for Primary School Children



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Competition of the Week

Build a stadium from materials
you find at home
(e.g. cereal box, egg carton, etc.)

Ask your parent/guardian to email a
photo of your completed stadium to
gamesdevelopment@gaa.ie by

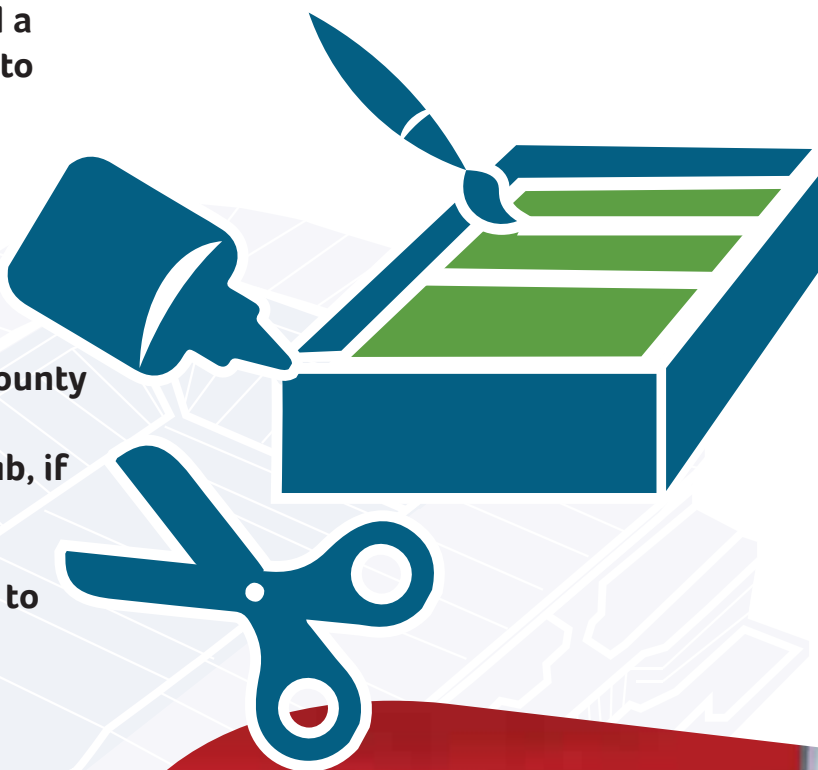
Friday 22nd of May including:

- Your first name
- The name of your school and county
- The name of your local GAA club, if
you have one.

Win complimentary Family Passes to
the [Ericsson Skyline Tour](#)

Winners will be announced the
following week on [@GAAlearning](#)

By sending the email, parents /
guardians are consenting for the
photos and details to be shared on
official GAA online channels.
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Learning Activity 1

Strand: Story

Strand Unit: Story

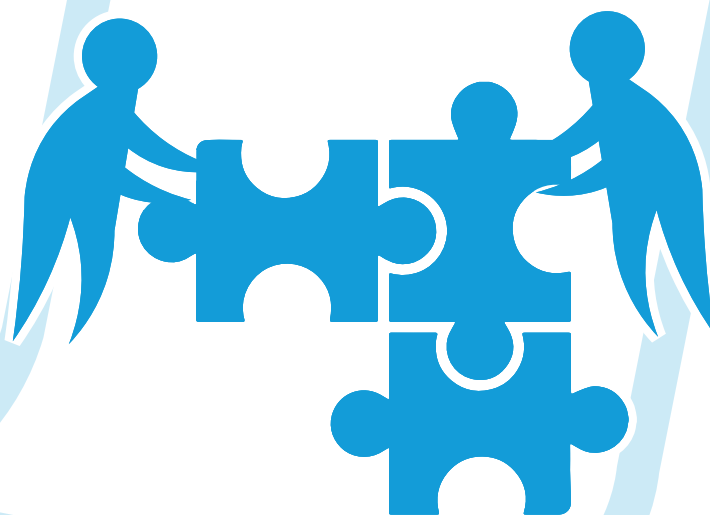
Aim:

1. To discuss, listen to, retell and record a range of simple stories from the lives of people who have made a contribution to local or national life.

Suggested Activities:

1. Use Worksheet 4B to introduce Pat Spillane to the pupils. Explain that Pat Spillane was a Gaelic Football legend because of his skill and dedication, and the success he had when he played.
2. Ring a grandparent or another senior citizen in your family to interview them about their favourite player.
3. Write the story of your grandparent's or another senior citizen's in your family favourite player.
4. Watch this clip about players describing the best player that they ever played with.

[Click here to view](#)



USE FOLLOWING WORKSHEETS



Worksheet 4B: Player From The Past - Pat Spillane

Pat Spillane is famous as the presenter of the RTÉ programme *The Sunday Game*. He is also well known as one of the best Gaelic footballers ever. He first played for Kerry when he was only 18 in the year 1974. In 1975 he was one of the stars of a young Kerry team led by famous manager Mick O'Dwyer to win the All-Ireland against Dublin. In fact, because the captain was injured in the final, Pat went up the steps and accepted the Sam Maguire Cup. There were great battles between Kerry and Dublin in the next few years, with Dublin winning in 1976 and 1977. However, after that Kerry became the best team in the country winning seven All-Ireland finals in nine years. For the last three titles Pat was joined by his brothers Tom and Mick. Pat retired from football in 1991 after winning eight All-Ireland senior medals. He also won nine All-Star awards, more than any other footballer. In 2000 he was named at right-half forward on "The Football Team of the Millennium", meaning he was the best player in his position that ever played.





Learning Activity 2

Strand: Human Environments

Strand Unit: Living in the local community

Aim:

Children to learn about their local GAA club and the members of the community who run local clubs.

Suggested Activities:

1. Discuss local clubs in your area. Ring a grandparent senior citizen in your family and ask them of their experiences playing with their club. Find any photographs of relatives who played with their club.
2. Write the names of those in the club who help you.
3. Draw a picture of you and a friend playing for your local club.
4. Complete worksheet 5A to profile your club



USE FOLLOWING WORKSHEETS





Worksheet 5A: My Local Club

The GAA club is very important in the community as it is a place where you can go with friends and have fun.



Club Colours

Write about your club:

Club name: _____

Nickname: _____

Coaches: _____

Name of club pitch: _____

Clubs you have played against: _____

Famous players from your club: _____

Finish this sentence: I like my club because _____



Click images and watch following videos



For more movement skill challenges, see learning.gaa.ie

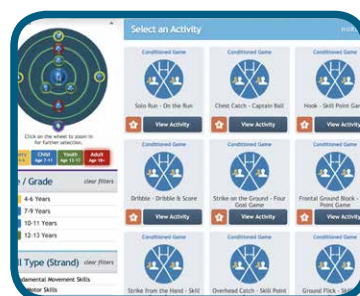


MORE GAA PRIMARY SCHOOL LEARNING RESOURCES

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GAA Activity Planner

The GAA Activity Planner has been designed to help Teachers and Coaches to identify activities suitable for players/pupils and to build sessions and PE lessons from these activities. It contains hundreds of activities for developing Movement Skills, Hurling, Gaelic Football, Handball and Rounders. You can save sessions/lessons on a pdf document. Most of the activities also have a brief instructional video which can be shown on the class whiteboard. You can access this resource for free by registering on the [GAA Learning & Development Portal](http://learning.gaa.ie)



Céim ar Aghaidh/Step Ahead Resource

[Céim ar Aghaidh/Step Ahead Resource](http://learning.gaa.ie/primary-school) is a set of learning resources for Teachers and pupils based on the enjoyable theme of gaelic games. It aims to deliver a range of exercises used to support teaching in a variety of subject areas. These can be adapted to suit children of varying abilities through differentiated tasks. In keeping with the ethos of the GAA, the material is designed to promote participation for all, both on and off the field.

The GAA's P.E. Céim ar Aghaidh is a teaching resource and has been developed to assist Primary School Teachers to deliver the Games Strand of the national Physical Educational Curriculum through Gaelic games activities covering Gaelic Football, Hurling/Camogie, Handball and Rounders.

Tá na leaganacha Gaeilge seo de na háiseanna a chur ar fail freisin.

