

CONFERENCE BOOKING FORM 2010

Conference cost includes Lunch and Refreshments and membership dues where appropriate. See over leaf for details of Membership of ISKA. Please clearly indicate your choices below, remove and return completed form with **Cheque Payable to ISKA, Clai House, Millpool Rd, Mountshannon, Co Clare** or book online at www.steinerireland.org

I will attend Conference and would like to join/renew Full / Assoc Membership (€40) € _____

I will attend Conference as a Non Member of ISKA (€80) € _____

I cannot attend but would like to Apply to join/renew ISKA Full Membership (€30) € _____

I cannot attend but would like to Apply to join/renew ISKA Associate Membership (€15) € _____

Name.....

Address.....

Phone

Email.....

Occupation.....

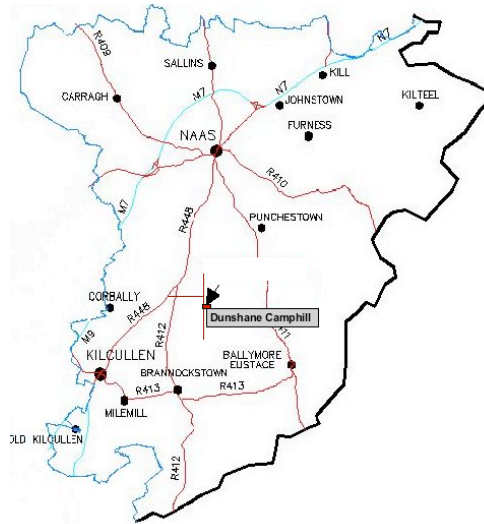
Kindergarten/Childcare Facility.....

Phone.....

email.....

I understand that membership of ISKA indicates my adherence to the statutory Pre-Schools Services Regulations, my support of the Aims of the Association and my acceptance of the Association's Quality Assurance Process.

Signed:.....



Camphill Community, Dunshane House, Brannockstown, Co Kildare.
exactly 6 km from Kilcullen and Naas.

Directions to Dunshane Coming From Naas:

- Go in the directions of Kilcullen, R448
- Approx. 5 miles towards Kilcullen turn left in the direction of Dunlavin, R412
- After 50 yds, turn left again, continue to end of road (approx. 1mile) and turn right at T-Junction
- Dunshane is the 3rd entrance on the left.

ACCOMMODATION

For people wishing to book accommodation: Two Mile House B & B 045-879824 and Greenville B & B 086-3866722 are the nearest, have 5 bedrooms each and people can share. They often host people for events in Dunshane so mention Conference when booking. Also Avondale B & B 045 876254 Bluebell B & B 045 897003

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IRISH STEINER KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ON SAT 18TH SEPTEMBER 2010

AT CAMPHILL COMMUNITY DUNSHANE CO KILDARE

"THE MOST EFFECTIVE KIND OF EDUCATION IS THAT A CHILD SHOULD PLAY AMONG LOVELY THINGS" PLATO

Play a Remedial Tool



THEME

We call for teachers to provide an education that emphasizes the full development of the child including the importance of play. Play initiated and directed by children should be a rich and vital part of every child's life. It enhances cognitive, physical, social and emotional development and well-being.

Alliance for Childhood

- * explore the powerful tools of imagination and action and their inherent remedial value
- * experience the child in us again
- * share our experiences throughout the day.
- * raise questions, gain answers, find more questions

Please bring some toys with you, ones that you really like and others that you would not consider valuable for children to play with.

SPEAKERS - FACILITATORS

ULRIKE FARNLEITNER is the ISKA National Development Officer and Siolta Co-ordinator. Ulrike is also a Course Director and Teacher on the Early Childhood Education Programme, providing Kindergarten Teacher Training in Ireland, as well as being a Kindergarten Teacher for many years where she has gained huge personal experience and expertise in Play as a Remedial Tool.

RUTH MARSHALL - is a story teller, editor and Course Director and Teacher on the Early Childhood Education Programme

MARGUERITE DEVANE is Kindergarten Teacher and former Principal of Raheen Wood Steiner National School, Co Clare. Marguerite is a fluent Irish speaker.

PROGRAMME

8.45am Arrival with refreshments – The early start allows more meeting each other time, supporting the collegial aspect of the conference

9.25am Opening verse and welcome
Marguerite Devane

9.30am Movement - **Ruth Marshall**

9.45am Talk – **Ulrike Farnleitner** –
“Play as a Remedial Tool”

11.00am Tea & Coffee

11.15am Talk: **Ulrike Farnleitner** -
“Play as a Remedial Tool”

12.30pm- Lunch (Provided)

1.30pm Songs & Verses in Irish -
Marguerite Devane - please bring a contribution in Irish from your Group or Kindergarten to share.

2.00pm Small Groups - Sharing participants own work and experiences.

2.45pm Plenum - Feedback from the Sharing
3.00pm Exchange and Open Forum –
Questions for **Ulrike Farnleitner**

3.50pm Refreshments

4pm Slan Abhaile - Safe Home

VENUE

The Venue for this years Conference is again the beautiful and peaceful setting of Dunshane Camphill Community (see map overleaf).

Lunch and Refreshments Included

Booking Form Attached

Contact Details:

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The Irish Steiner Kindergarten Association

is the representative body of Steiner Early Childhood Carers & Educators in Ireland and was founded in 1992. The Association was formed out of a common wish to support and learn from each other and will continue to develop in that spirit.

Aims

- ♦ to promote and support the development of Steiner Early Childhood Care & Education in Ireland.
- ♦ to act as an effective representative body for professionals working in Steiner Early Childhood Care and Education.
- ♦ to support and promote the provision of sessional, full daycare and other childcare and family support services of the highest quality as an integral part of a continuum of community care for children.
- ♦ to establish and develop a range of training programs for professional Early Years practitioners
- ♦ to provide professional in-service training programs for members
- ♦ to work in collaboration with other organizations and agencies to promote high quality, affordable childcare services in the community.

Membership of ISKA Is open to all those who subscribe to the aims of the Association and who are currently, or have within the last three years been working professionally with young children.

Associate Membership is available for people who wish to identify themselves with the work of the Association and the development of Steiner Early Childhood Care and Education in Ireland. Associate Members will be invited to participate in workshops and conferences and will be kept informed of the work of the Association.

As a Member you will:

- ♦ be a member of a recognised professional body
- ♦ be represented at national and international level.
- ♦ benefit from support of the ISKA office and staff
- ♦ have discounted access to workshops & events
- ♦ be supported in establishing local & regional networks
- ♦ have access to specifically Irish PR material