

Let's Learn more

About Children In Ireland:

What food would be their favorite?

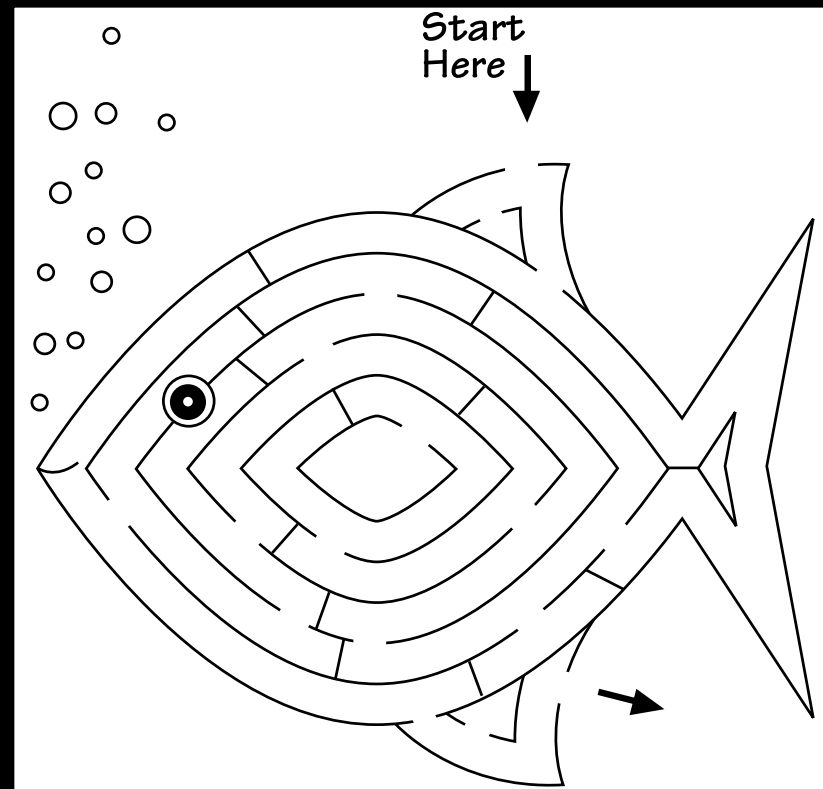
Potatoes are one of the main food staples here, although they eat many of the same things we do. They call french fries - chips, and chips they call 'crisps'. Everyone loves to stop at the local chipper for some fish-n-chips. They don't put ketchup on the fries (chips) though, they use malt vinegar. Yuk!

Do they get special treats?

In my experience, a special treat for these kids is a stop at the chipper for some chips.

MAZE CRAZE

*Can you find your way through the fish maze?
Maybe your family could eat fish and chips one night this week and pray for our missionaries and the people in Ireland!*



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Let's Learn About Children In Ireland from Kathi Perry:

What games do the children of Ireland like to play?

In this season the Irish children like to play a game called conkers. It involves putting a horsechestnut on a string and then two people will swing their horsechestnuts and bang them together until one breaks. Kids here also play soccer (they call it football), and cricket.

Do all children get to go to school?

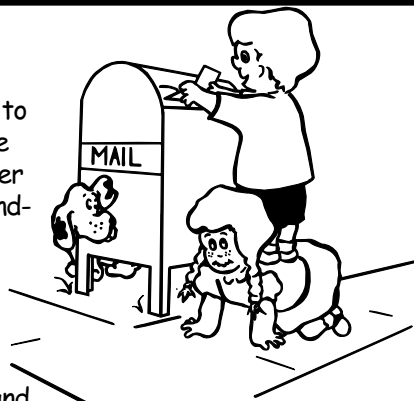
The educational system in Ireland is very good. Most children will graduate from secondary school (high school). At the end of secondary school they all take exams. How well they do on their exams will determine if they go to University and what they will study there. School is divided into two sections - primary and secondary. A child would spend six years in each one. This would compare to our 1st through 12th grades. The big difference is that most schools are run either by the Catholic church or the Church of Ireland, so there is a religious element to educations.

How can we encourage the children in Ireland?

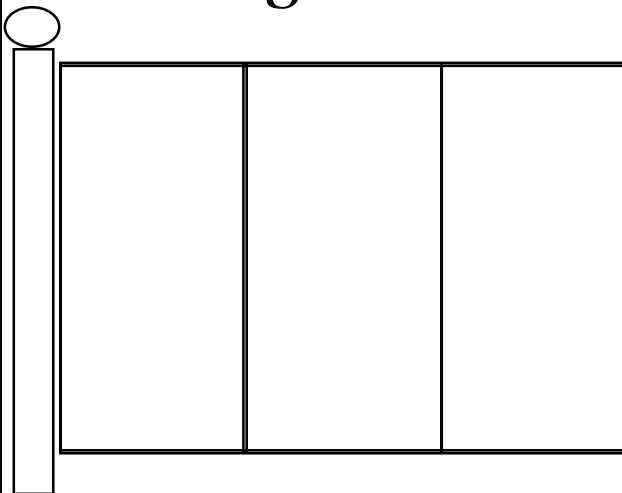
Kathi Perry, our single missionary to Ireland, is making friends with the children in Ireland. You can send her a note to give to the children attending the Friends Church in Ireland.

Her address is

Kathi Perry
Haddington Road
Garden Level
Dublin 4, Republic of Ireland



The Flag of Ireland



The Irish flag has three vertical stripes in green, white and orange.

The green represents the older Gaelic people, the orange represents the Protestants (under William of Orange) and the white represents the peace between the two groups. Color this flag to look like an Irish flag. The Green panel is closest to the flagpole, White is in the middle and Orange is on the outside.

Did you know... the Irish (Gaelic) word for Ireland is Eire.

The Irish (Gaelic) language evolved from Celtic immigrants around 600 B.C. English was adopted as the main language during the 18th Century.

Today, Irish (Gaelic) is spoken mainly in areas located along the western seaboard. Many Irish school children go to summer camps where they can learn to speak Gaelic. Olivia James attended a camp last summer where they had to speak Gaelic!- No English was allowed!

One Week of Praying for Ireland:

Sunday: Pray for the new church starting in Ringsend, an area of Dublin, Ireland. Pray that the kids will learn something special today about Jesus.

Monday: Pray Olivia James as she starts another week of school. Pray that she'll do her best and study hard- just like you!

Tuesday: Pray Olivia's father (Todd) as he works with community basketball and sports leagues, showing them that Jesus loves them. As you play sports today, think about the kids in Ireland who are doing the same thing!

Wednesday: Pray Olivia's mother, Celesta. Celesta has been sick with a sore back. She has had to have two surgeries and she still feels a lot of pain. Let's pray that God will heal Celesta. Pray that God will lead the doctors to relieve her pain. Let's also thank Jesus for your health!

Thursday: Pray for the new Christians in the new church. Pray that they will want to be involved and that they will invite their friends to church. Who can you invite to your church next week?

Friday: Pray for Kathi Perry as she makes new friends in the community. She wants to plan special events for the teens and children. Pray that the kids will be excited about the events and that they will invite their friends to come, too!

Saturday: Pray for Kathi as she meets women in the community. Pray that the women will see that Jesus loves them as Kathi teaches them new crafts at the community center. Also, pray for Kathi and the James family as they get ready for Sunday worship. Why not take a minute more to pray for your own pastor, too!