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Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the **World Meeting of Families 2018**. From 21-26 August 2018, families and others from all over the world will gather in Dublin to celebrate their lives together, to share their experiences from different parts of the world, to reflect on the different challenges they face and to grow together in faith. This event presents a special opportunity for school families to not only celebrate the fact that parents are the primary educators of their children, but also the vital role that Catholic schools play in assisting parents in their duty to raise their children.

In partnership with World Meeting of Families 2018, the Catholic Schools Week Steering Committee has developed a one-year catechetical programme for Catholic primary and post-primary schools. The theme for this programme is **Catholic Schools: Called to be a Family of Families**. The programme invites Catholic schools to reflect on and to celebrate the relationship that exists between home, school and parish through participation in four sub-themed catechetical moments.

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MOMENT ONE	Families of Hope	November 2017
MOMENT TWO	Families of Faith	January 2018 (Catholic Schools Week 2018)
MOMENT THREE	Families of Love	February/March 2018
MOMENT FOUR	Families of Joy	March/May 2018

Catholic Schools Week 2018 will run in the same format as previous years but there is one important distinction. In 2018, Catholic Schools Week will be the high point of the primary and post-primary school catechetical programme. The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2018 is Catholic Schools: Called to be a Family of Families.



As usual, School Resources will be made available in due course via: www.catholicschools.ie All Resources will also be made available through the medium of Irish.