Financial Literacy TY Programme 2026/2027

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A **FREE Industry-led*** six module class-based interactive programme for transition year students



In 2025/26:
30 schools, 800 students

Does your school want to participate in the Irish Funds Financial Literacy Programme in 2026/2027?

The Irish Funds Financial Literacy Programme has been running successfully for four years in schools around the country. The Government published the Financial Literacy Strategy in February 2025 and identified the need to improve the level of financial literacy in Ireland. Our programme provides students with skills which will enable them to thrive now and into the future.

> *"It is an enjoyable programme, the presenters are telling us useful, real-life information that we can apply to our own lives.The presenters are very professional and very enthusiastic, and this has come across well to us and made the presentation more interesting."*
>
> Student, Limerick



> *"There was a fun aspect to the programme and TY students were very engaged in the content while learning at the same time."*
>
> Teacher, Waterford



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* Teacher needs to be present in the classroom at all times during live sessions

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Your students are part of this industry



What is the funds and asset management industry?

The funds and asset management industry plays a crucial role in supporting economic growth and development, empowering individuals, communities, and businesses. By mobilising and harnessing the power of individuals' savings into investment opportunities to generate an additional source of income, the funds and asset management industry helps to create a more robust economy capable of supporting sustainable growth.

We are committed to empowering individuals by providing them with the financial knowledge and insight to understand and choose the best options for building and protecting their savings.

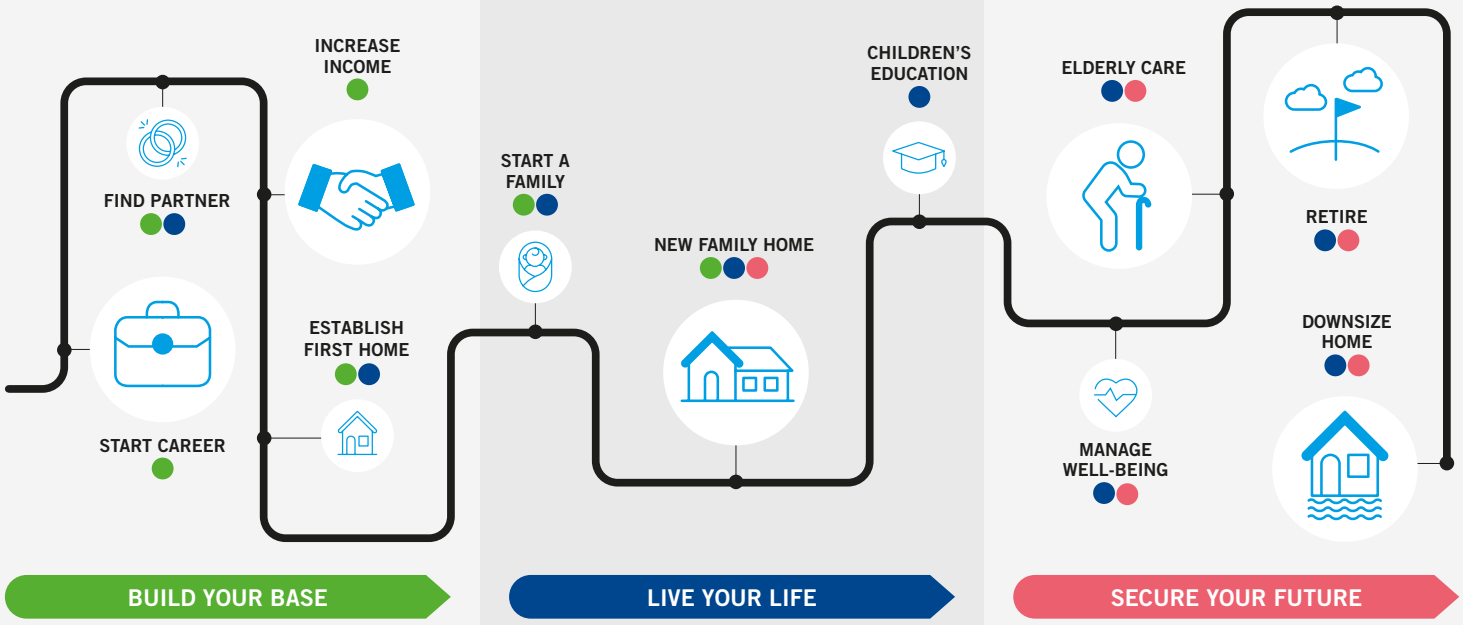
Additionally we are firmly committed to championing excellence and awareness in environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues to ensure a sustainable future.

Our Programme aligns with the Department of Education TY Statement (issued to schools in August 2024) focusing on Student Learning and Development, **"Learning to Learn, Learning for Life"**.

Empowering financial well-being

Improving financial literacy and ensuring access to transparent, reliable advice is key to ensure all individuals make informed choices about their life goals such as savings, travel, buying a house, their children's futures and retirement. Providing financial education at an early age will help individuals to better understand the impact of borrowing and saving decisions upon creating a more secure future and enjoying long-term financial well-being.

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Does your school want to take part in the Irish Funds Financial Literacy Programme for Transition Year students?

Overview of the Programme

Irish Funds has developed a unique experiential financial literacy programme for Transition Year students, that combines (i) **Financial Literacy** (ii) **Life Skills** and (iii) **Real Life Funds and Asset Management** examples. The programme also includes **digital finance** and **sustainable investing**, two areas identified by the OECD as competences that are particularly relevant in the future. The six interactive modules are brought to life using real examples presented in the class by funds and asset management industry experts.

The programme is described in the diagram below. This unique modular programme can be tailored to your school's needs.



Your Opportunity to Participate

- Following the outstanding success of the Programme over the past four academic years, we are inviting schools to participate in Dublin and nationwide.
- The programme is **free** to schools.
- There will be three two-hour classroom-based sessions, presented by professionally trained funds and asset management industry experts.
- The programme is ready to be delivered to schools during the period October 2026-May 2027.
- Irish Funds will manage and organise the programme in partnership with our industry member firms who shall provide the volunteers to bring the programme to life.

Register your interest

- Schools are invited to **register an expression of interest** to participate in the Programme which will run during the school term starting in October 2026. Complete the online form and any questions should be sent to **TYProgramme@irishfunds.ie**.
- The Irish Funds team will acknowledge receipt of your form and contact you to discuss.

On completion of the six modules, students should be able to:

1. Understand the key components of **financial literacy** and **financial products,**
2. Understand **consumer protection** and some of the regulations around **financial products,**
3. Critically evaluate their own **spending** and **saving habits,**
4. Identify and learn new life skills and behaviours that will help them make better choices about their future **financial well-being,**
5. Critically assess the growing importance of **sustainable investing,**
6. Understand the basics of **digital finance,**
7. Recognise the role of **financial services** and the **funds and asset management industry** in Ireland to the local economy.



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A snapshot of our industry

SOURCE: Central Bank of Ireland, Monterey Insight Ireland Survey 2025 and Irish Funds (Net assets and number of funds valid as of Q3 & Q4 2025)

€7.2T
Net Assets Irish and Non-Irish Domiciled Funds

€5.5T
Net Assets Irish Domiciled Funds

1,007
Promoters of Irish and Non-Irish Domiciled Funds

610
Promoters of Irish Domiciled Funds



90 Countries
Distribution through Ireland

9,302
Irish Domiciled Funds

6,259
Non-Irish Domiciled Funds

15,561
Total Funds

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