

*How Ireland moved from
“We’re not ready” to
“Why didn’t we do this years ago?”*



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We are independent rights holders

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There must never be a defence for violence against children.

I am honoured to have championed and secured the effective ban on the physical punishment of children in Ireland.

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Senator Jillian van Turnhout



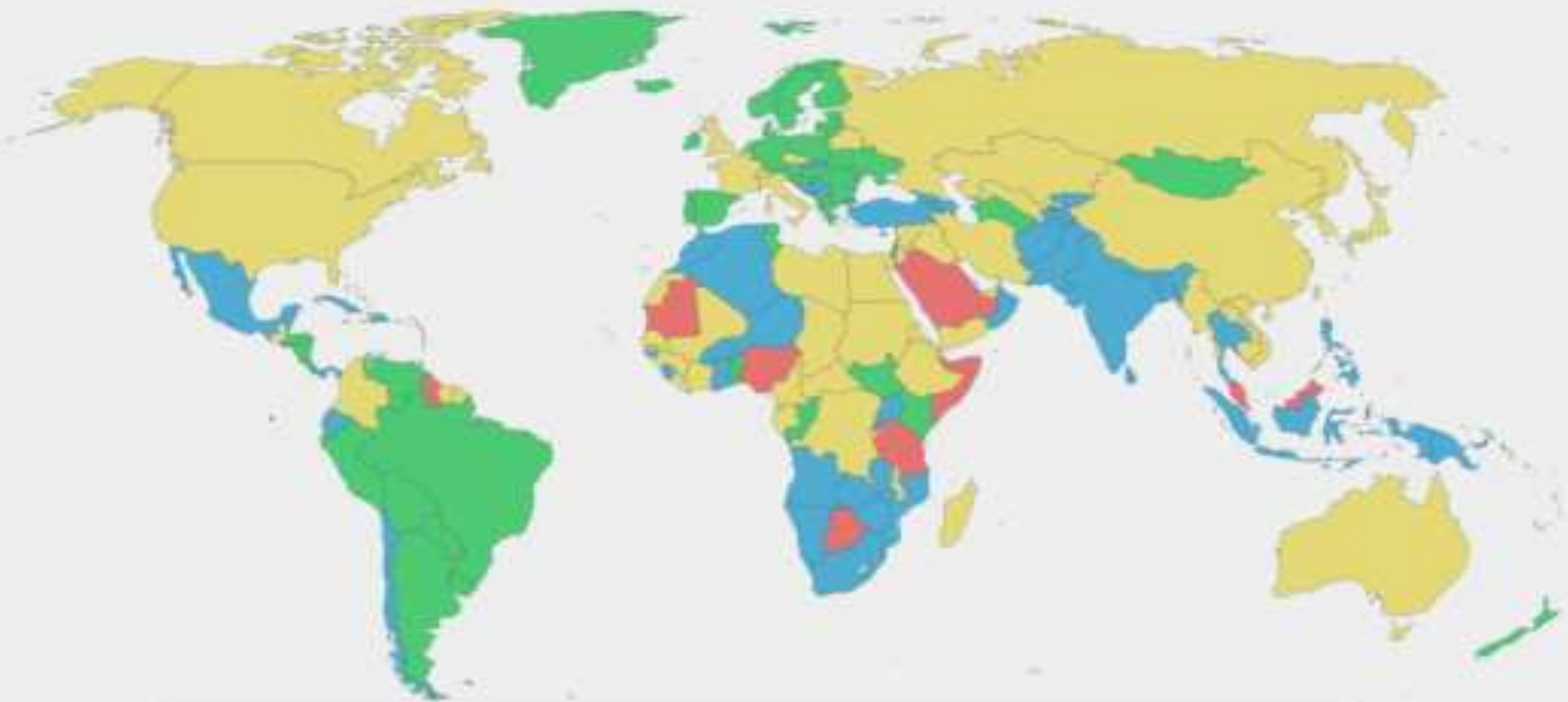
Common Law

R v Hopley, 1860

Chief Justice Cockburn proclaimed that:

**“By the law of England, a parent ...
may for the purpose of correcting
what is evil in the child, inflict
moderate and reasonable corporal
punishment...**





Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children

■ Prohibited in all settings.

■ Prohibited in some settings.

■ Government committed to full prohibition.

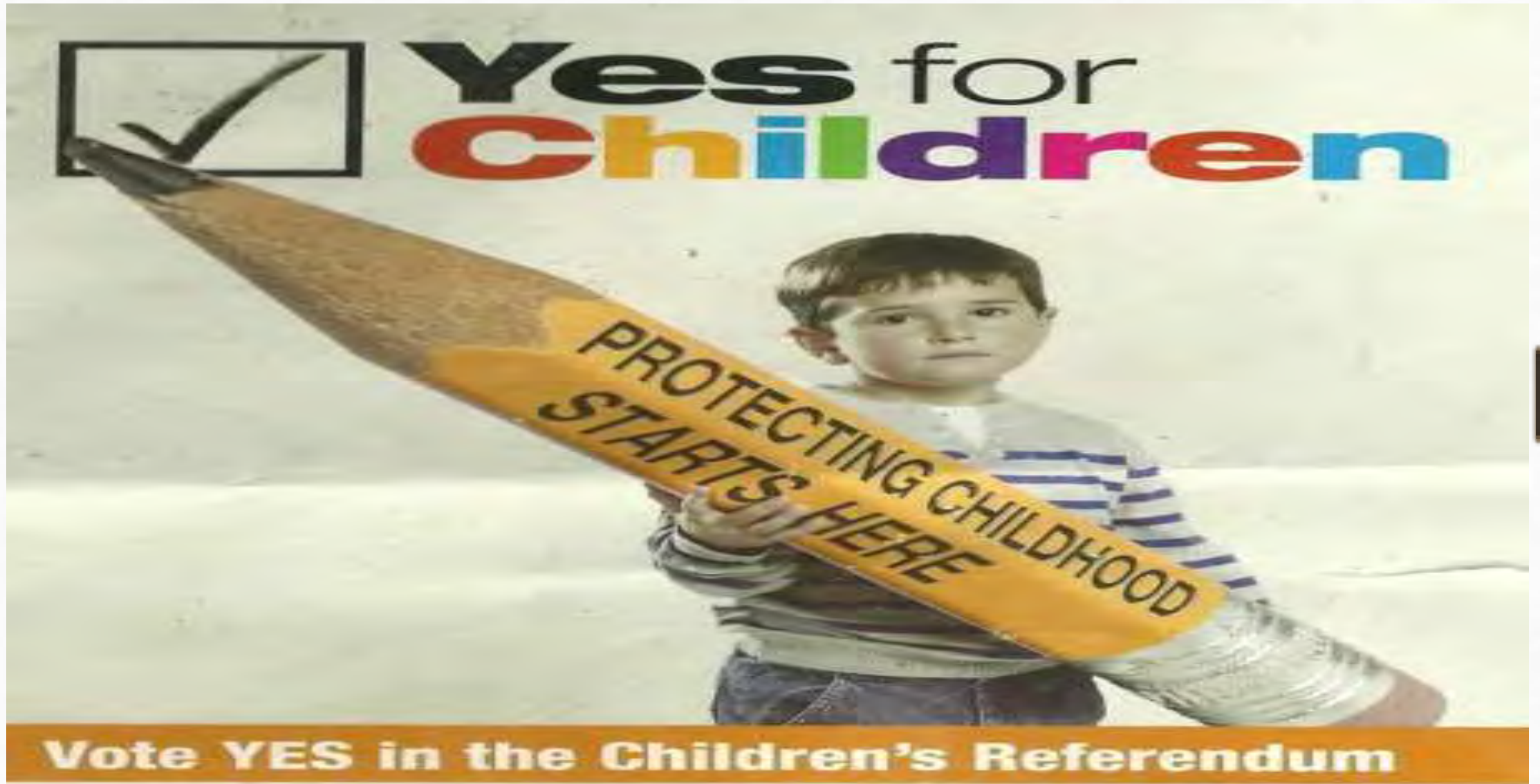
■ Not fully prohibited in any setting.





Reports

Historic child abuse in Ireland both in the home and in institutions



The logo for ISPCCC Childline features the letters 'ISPCCC' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letter 'P' is replaced by a red speech bubble icon. Below 'ISPCCC', the word 'Childline' is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font.

ISPCCC
Childline

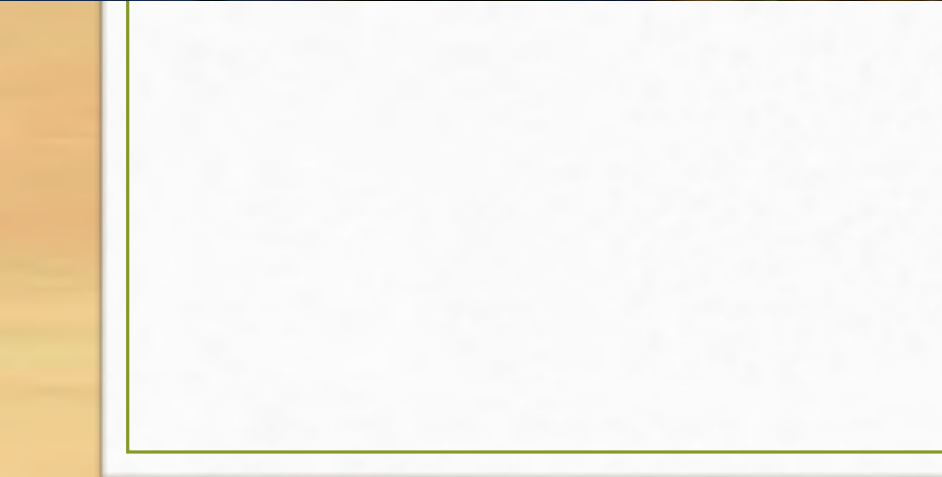
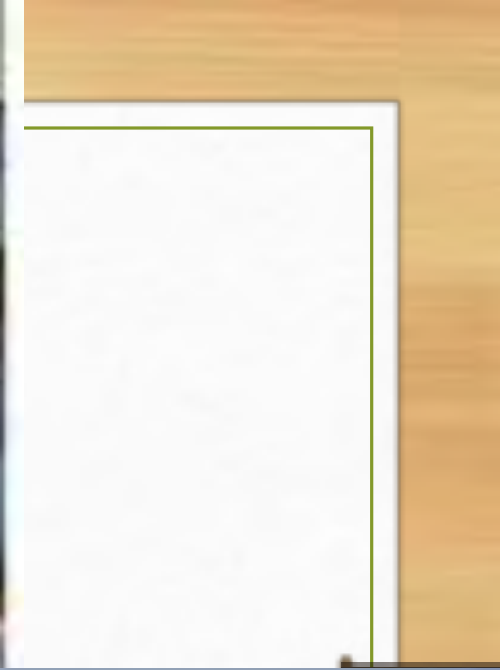
The logo for Children's Rights Alliance consists of the words 'CHILDREN'S RIGHTS' stacked above 'ALLIANCE', all in a bold, teal, sans-serif font. A horizontal orange brushstroke line is positioned between 'RIGHTS' and 'ALLIANCE'.

CHILDREN'S
RIGHTS
ALLIANCE

The logo for mummy pages features a pink bird icon on the left. To its right, the word 'mummy' is written in a pink, cursive font, and the word 'pages' is written below it in a blue, sans-serif font.


mummy
pages

Professor Geoffrey Shannon
Government Special Rapporteur on Child Protection



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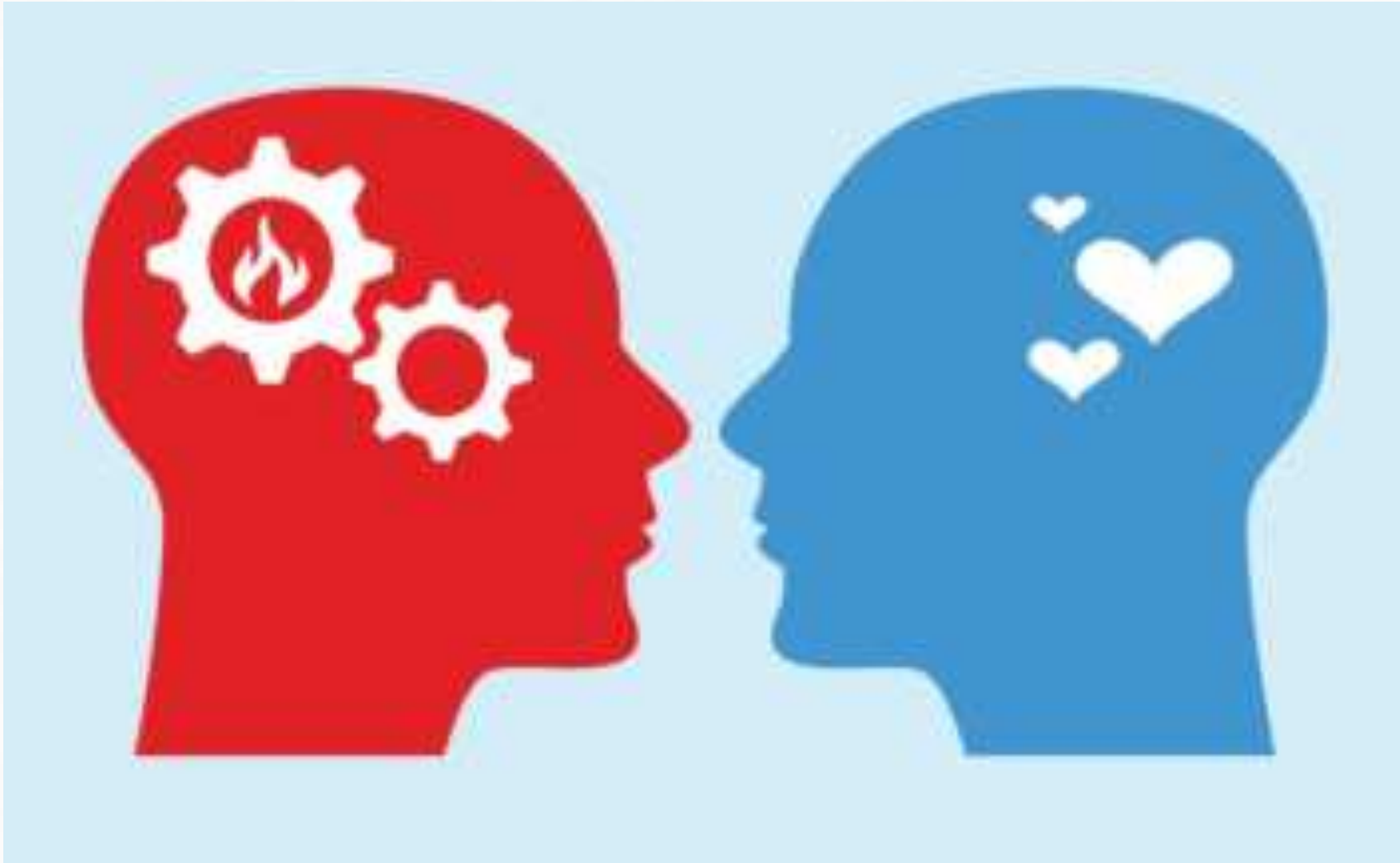
A close-up, profile view of a young child with vibrant, curly red hair. The child is looking out of a window, with their face partially in shadow. The background is a bright, slightly blurred window with vertical bars. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

*“The right of the child to
protection from corporal
punishment and other cruel
or degrading forms of
punishment”*

General Comment no 8

UN Committee on the Rights of the Child













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**MAGNETIC
PLAYING
PIECES**



A MOTORING OBSERVATION GAME

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Ireland

Abolition of defence of reasonable chastisement

Amendment: Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person Act

“The common law defence of reasonable chastisement is abolished.”



TÚSLA

An Ghníomhaireacht um
Leanaí agus an Teaghlach
Child and Family Agency





Home should be a safe place



Free from ALL forms of violence



THANK

You

• Very Much •

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