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Samhradh i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall 2024

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Summer in Fingal Libraries 2024

So much to see.....so much to do!



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What's on in Fingal Libraries!

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Your summer starts with a trip to the Library.

Check out the free talks, workshops, and services available in Fingal Libraries that will inspire, motivate, and support you this summer.

Summer Events at a Glance

Event	Location	Start Time
Wednesday, 19th June		
Summer Stars Story Time	Garristown Library	3:45pm - 4:45pm
Thursday, 20th June		
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Malahide Library	10:00am - 11:00am
Saturday, 22nd June		
Chair Yoga	Balbriggan Library	11:00am - 12:00pm For more dates, see page 28
Dyslexia Explained	Balbriggan Library	2:30 - 3:30 pm
Tuesday, 25th June		
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am - 12:00pm
Helping Your Child Start Primary School	Rush Library	6:30pm - 7:30 pm
Wednesday, 26th June		
D&D Summer Club	Donabate Library	2:30pm - 5:00pm For more dates, see page 31
Saturday, 29th June		
African Percussion Family Workshop	Balbriggan Library	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Mobile Library at Flavours of Fingal	Newbridge House & Farm, Donabate	
Sunday, 30 June		
Mobile Library at Flavours of Fingal	Newbridge House & Farm, Donabate	
Monday, 1st July		
Summer Stars Celebration Day	Baldoyle Library	All day
Summer Stars Quiz	Swords Library	2:30pm - 3:30 pm
Tuesday, 2nd July		
Summer Stars Story Time	Howth Library	11:00am - 12:00pm For more dates, see page 17
Wednesday, 3rd July		
Monster Bird Doodle	Balbriggan Library	12:00pm - 1:00pm
Summer Plant Care Workshop	Malahide Library	6:00pm - 7:30pm
Silk Painting Workshop	Donabate Library	5:30pm - 7:30pm



Event	Location	Start Time
Soft Rolling Taster Class	Malahide Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Summer Stars Story Time	Skerries Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Thursday, 4th July		
Dexter Lost His Boo-Woo	Balbriggan Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Rhyme & Sign Story Time	Rush Library	12:00m – 1:00pm
D&D Summer Club	Blanchardstown Library	2:00m – 4:00pm For more dates, see page 30
Summer Stars Story Time	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Friday, 5th July		
Rhyme & Sign Story Time	Baldoyle Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Saturday, 6th July		
Coding Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	10:00am – 12:00pm
Mobile Library at Meakstown Community Fun Day	Lanesborough Park	
Lego Bricks STEM workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
Monday, 8th July		
Virtual Reality Showcase	Swords Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Sensory Friendly Lego	Garristown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
D&D Summer Club	Swords Library	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Summer Stars Board Games	Blanchardstown Library	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Tuesday, 9th July		
Rhyme & Sign Story Time	Donabate Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Coding Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Baldoyle Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm For more dates, see page 16
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm For more dates, see page 16
Empty the Suitcase Word Game	Garristown Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Summer Stars Quiz	Howth Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Wednesday, 10th July		
Sensory Friendly Family Yoga	Blanchardstown Library	Session 1: 2:00pm – 2:45pm Session 2: 3:00pm – 3:45pm Session 3: 4:00pm – 4:45pm
Thursday, 11th July		
My Little Album of Summer	Baldoyle Library	10:30pm – 11:30am
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Balbriggan Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm For more dates, see page 15
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Garristown Library	3:00 – 4:30pm For more dates, see page 17
Saturday, 13th July		
African Percussion Family Workshop	Rush Library	11:30am – 12:30pm



Event	Location	Start Time
Dyslexia Explained	Swords Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Coding Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	10:00am – 12:00pm
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
Sensory Friendly Lego	Skerries Library	10:00am – 11:00am
Sensory Friendly Lego	Balbriggan Library	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Sensory Friendly Lego	Donabate Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Monday, 15th July		
Summer Stars Story Time	Swords Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Summer Stars Board Games	Howth Library	3:00pm – 4:30pm For more dates, see page 17
Tuesday 16th July		
Write and Perform	Skerries Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Create like Picasso	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
D&D Summer Club	Swords Library	3:30pm – 5:00pm
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Malahide Library	3:00pm – 3:30pm For more dates, see page 18
Wednesday, 17th July		
Creative Thinking and a Positive Writer Mindset	Blanchardstown Library	5:45pm – 7:45pm
Sustainable Vintage Fashion Demonstration	Howth Library	6:30pm – 7:30pm
D&D Summer Club	Donabate Library	2:30pm – 5:00pm For more dates, see page 31
Blockbusters Word Game	Garristown Library	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Thursday, 18th July		
Sustainable Vintage Fashion Demonstration	Skerries Library	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Summer Stars Story Time	Balbriggan Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm For more dates, see page 15
Bingo for Children	Garristown Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Friday, 19th July		
Messy Play	Blanchardstown Library	10:00m – 11:00am
Saturday, 20th July		
Musical Tots	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
Sensory Friendly Lego	Howth Library	10:00am – 11:00am
Sensory Friendly Lego	Baldoyle Library	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Sensory Friendly Lego	Malahide Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Monday, 22nd July		
Summer Drawing Fun	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Tie-Dye T-Shirt Printing	Malahide Library	10:30am – 11:30am



Event	Location	Start Time
Tie-Dye T-Shirt Printing	Rush library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Tuesday, 23rd July		
Summer Drawing Fun	Balbriggan Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Summer Drawing Fun	Garristown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Write and Perform	Skerries Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
D&D Summer Club	Swords Library	3:30pm – 5:00pm
Wednesday, 24th July		
Acting for Camera	Malahide Library	3:00pm – 5:00pm
Sensory Slime	Rush Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Thursday, 25th July		
My Little Album of Summer	Donabate Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Malahide Library	10:00pm – 11:00am
Magic Story Time	Skerries Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Acting for Camera	Malahide Library	3:00pm – 5:00pm
Sensory Slime	Swords Library	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Summer Stars Story Time	Baldoyle Library	11:00am – 12:00pm For more dates, see page 16
Summer Stars Quiz	Garristown Library	3:00pm – 4:30pm
Friday, 26th July		
Tai Chi Course	Blanchardstown Library	10:00pm – 11:00am For more dates, see page 28
Saturday, 27th July		
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
T-Shirt Upcycling	Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 1:00pm
Monday, 29th July		
Farm Safe Fun	Garristown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Virtual Reality Showcase	Swords Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Fantasy Map-Making Design Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:30pm
Tuesday, 30th July		
Role-Play Village	Blanchardstown Library	Session 1: 10:00am – 11:00am Session 2: 11:30am – 12:30pm Session 3: 1:30pm – 2:30pm Session 4: 3:00pm – 4:00pm
D&D Summer Club	Swords Library	3:30pm – 5:00pm
Wednesday 31st July		
Blockbusters Word Game	Garristown Library	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Wednesday, 7th August		
The Art of Writing Magic & Mystery	Baldoyle Library	10:30am – 12:00pm
The Art of Writing Magic & Mystery	Donabate Library	2:00pm – 3:30pm



Event	Location	Start Time
Coding Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Summer Plant Care Workshop	Balbriggan Library	11:00am – 12:30pm
Summer Stars Story Time	Rush Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Thursday, 8th August		
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Malahide Library	10:00m – 11:00am
Magic Story Time	Howth Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Silk Painting Workshop	Rush Library	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Friday, 9th August		
Summer Stars Story Time	Malahide Library	10:00m – 11:00am For more dates, see page 18
Saturday, 10th August		
African Percussion Family Workshop	Malahide Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Mobile Library at Donabate/ Portrane Summer Festival	The Green, Portrane	
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
The Mind Workshop	Balbriggan Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Introduction to Soldering	Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 12:30pm & 2:00pm – 3:30pm
Monday, 12th August		
Helping Your Child Start Primary School	Donabate Library	6:45pm – 7:45pm
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Swords Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Summer Stars Board Games	Blanchardstown Library	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Tuesday, 13th August		
Silk Painting Workshop	Swords Library	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Summer Stars Story Time	Donabate Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Wednesday, 14th August		
Acting for Camera	Rush Library	3:00pm – 6:00pm
Thursday, 15th August		
Create like Matisse	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Donabate Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Saturday, 17th August		
Musical Tots	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Dyslexia Explained	Baldoyle Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
T-Shirt Upcycling	Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	11:00pm – 1:00am & 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Monday, 19th August		
Pollinator Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Pollinator Workshop	Howth Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm



Event	Location	Start Time
Turtle workshop	Malahide Library	3:00pm – 3:45pm
Summer Stars Quiz	Garristown Library	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Tuesday, 20th August		
Away with the Birds	Howth Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Our Wishprint!	Skerries Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Archive Open Days	Fingal Local Studies & Archives	10:00am – 5:00pm
Fingal During the War of Independence	Fingal Local Studies & Archives	7:00pm – 8:00pm
Wednesday, 21st August		
My Little Album of Summer	Swords Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Getting started with Genealogy	Fingal Local Studies & Archives	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Music in the Library	Garristown Library	7:00pm – 8:00pm
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Rush Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Thursday, 22nd August		
Girls Who Slay Monsters	Swords Library	11:30am – 12:30pm
Writing About Irish Mythology	Skerries Library	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Archive Open Days	Fingal Local Studies & Archives	10:00am – 5:00pm
Empty the Suitcase Word Game	Garristown Library	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Saturday, 24th August		
The Sinking of the Tayleur Sailing Ship, 1854	Malahide Library	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15 pm
The History of Balbriggan Library	Balbriggan Library	11:00am – 12:00pm
Tuesday, 27th August		
Summer Stars Quiz	Donabate Library	3:00pm – 4:30pm
Saturday, 31st August		
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm – 3:15pm
Thursday, 5th September		
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Malahide Library	10:00am – 11:00am
Friday, 13th September		
Mobile Library Skerries Poetry Festival	Skerries Beach front	
Tuesday, 24th September		
Toddler Time Stories and Songs	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am – 12:00pm



Dexter Lost His Boo-Woo with Shane Hegarty

Can you find the Boo-Woo? Shane Hegarty reads his brand-new picture book *Dexter Lost His Boo-Woo* and then gives you the chance to create your very own fantastic, funny monster. Ages 4- 8.



Balbriggan Library

Thursday, 4th July

2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Girls Who Slay Monsters with Ellen Ryan

There was a time when tales of Ireland's mythical goddesses and their astonishing powers were famous. Over time, these stories were lost - until now. Join author Ellen Ryan as she reads from her award-winning books, *Girls Who Slay Monsters* and *Gods Don't Cry*, which bring these heroes back to life - then discover which Irish god you are most like, with a fun quiz! Ages 8+.



Swords Library

Thursday, 22nd August

11:30am – 12:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Writing About Irish Mythology with Ellen Ryan

There was a time when tales of Ireland's mythical goddesses and their astonishing powers were famous. Over time, these stories were lost - until now. Join author Ellen Ryan as she brings you on a journey researching her award-winning books, *Girls Who Slay Monsters* and *Gods Don't Cry*, which bring these heroes back to life - then work on an outline for a mythological retelling, together. Ages 8+.

Skerries Library

Thursday, 22nd August

2:00pm - 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Witches, Wizards & Warlocks: The Art of Writing Magic & Mystery with Maeve Devoy

When using your imagination, anything is possible - so why not create characters and worlds that are filled to the brim with magic, potions, spells, and adventure? This creative writing workshop with author Maeve Devoy will help any budding writer bring their fantasy fiction to life. Ages 7 – 12.



Baldoyle Library

Wednesday, 7th August

10:30am – 12:00pm

Donabate Library

Wednesday, 7th August

2:00pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



My Little Album of Summer with Tarsila Krüse

Inspired by Tarsila's book with Juliette Saumande, *My Little Album of Ireland*, children will make their own little albums (small, folded zines), which they can fill up with their favourite things about their lives and summer. It's a wonderful way to capture memories and get creative together, while using a cúpla focail too! Ages 6 – 12.



Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 11th July	10:30am – 11:30am
Donabate Library	Thursday, 25th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Swords Library	Wednesday, 21st August	2:00pm – 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Summer Drawing Fun with Aidan Courtney

Pop along for a bit of summer drawing fun with cartoonist Aidan Courtney. This workshop is for children of all abilities, Aidan will show how to draw things in a cartoony style and use some Irish too! Ages 8+.



Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 22nd July	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 23rd July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Garristown Library	Tuesday, 23rd July	3:00pm – 4:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Away with the Birds with Eve McDonnell

A fun, creative, illustration workshop using fingerprinting techniques. In Eve McDonnell's book, *The Last Boy*, Brewster leaves a sooty trail of fingerprints wherever he goes! Let your imagination fly by creating a fun bird-on-a-wire scene using your own fingerprints! A picture tells a thousand words. Ages 7+.

Howth Library	Tuesday, 20th August	11:00am – 12:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Our Wishprint! with Eve McDonnell

In Eve McDonnell's book, *The Last Boy*, Brewster, a small 'climbing boy', is sold to a cruel Master Sweep, his brother's sooty thumbprint sealing the deal. Hear about Brewster's wish for a better life for climbing boys, sing the Sweep-O song, climb through a chimney-sized prop, and create our own unique WISHPRINT poem! Ages 8+.



Skerries Library

Tuesday, 20th August

2:00pm – 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Monster Bird Doodle with Niamh Sharkey

Come and meet award winning author and illustrator Niamh Sharkey. Learn how she made her new book *Hello Bird* (Templar Books), draw along with Niamh as she reads the book, design your own characters and join in a giant monster bird doodle! Ages 3 - 7.



Balbriggan Library

Wednesday, 3rd July

12:00pm – 1:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Create like Picasso

Come and join us for a fun-filled hour creating your own vibrant masterpiece. We'll create abstract faces in a Picasso style. This will involve simplifying shapes and lines in a fun, creative activity. Ages 8 – 12.



Blanchardstown Library

Tuesday, 16th July

3:00pm – 4:00pm



To reserve a place, please contact the library or follow the Eventbrite QR code.

Create like Matisse

Come join us for a fun-filled hour creating our own colourful Matisse inspired collage. We'll enjoy a colourful class exploring Matisse's use of organic curves and free flow lines. Ages 8 – 12.



Blanchardstown Library

Thursday, 15th August

3:00pm – 4:00pm



To reserve a place, please contact the library or follow the Eventbrite QR code.



Tie-Dye T-Shirt Printing with Lollipop Apparel

Are you looking to add a touch of colour to your life? Look no further! Tie-Dye Printing is an experience that brings a smile to everyone. Prepare for a truly fun and artistic adventure. Ages 7 – 11.



Malahide Library	Monday, 22nd July	10:30am - 11.30am
Rush Library	Monday, 22nd July	2:00pm – 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Role-Play Village with Messy Adventures

At the Role-Play Village, children use their imagination and creativity whilst entering a world of make believe. Each of the destinations in our 'village' represents a real-world scenario with miniature tools and utensils to immerse themselves into that specific role! Ages 1 - 7.



Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 30th July	Session 1: 10:00am – 11:00am Session 2: 11:30am – 12:30pm Session 3: 1:30pm – 2:30pm Session 4: 3:00pm – 4:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library or follow the Eventbrite QR code.

Acting for Camera with Michelle Lucy

In this workshop with actress, writer, and director Michelle Lucy, you will have fun with your favourite drama games, gain confidence in what makes you unique and learn how to be comfortable acting on camera. Ages 8 – 12.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 24th July & Thursday, 25th July	3:00pm – 5:00pm
Rush Library	Wednesday, 14th August	3:00pm – 6:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Write and Perform with Rebecca Darcy

Write and Perform is a fun, interactive two-part workshop that will introduce children to writing for performance. No previous writing or acting experience is required. The aim of the workshop is to build confidence, have fun, and encourage children to express their creativity. Ages 8 – 12.



Skerries Library

Tuesday, 16th July &
Tuesday, 23rd July

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

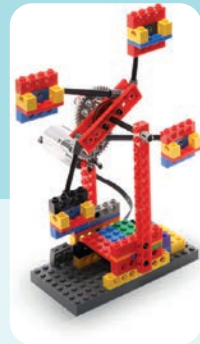
Lego Bricks STEM Workshop with Young Engineers

Get ready to unleash your child's creativity and STEM skills (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) at our Lego Bricks workshop, where children will have a blast building some amazing STEM concepts in the form of a working Lego model. Ages 5 – 8.

Blanchardstown Library

Saturday, 6th July
Saturday, 13th July
Saturday, 20th July
Saturday, 27th July
Saturday, 10th August
Saturday, 17th August
Saturday, 24th August
Saturday, 31st August

2:00pm – 3:15pm



To reserve a place, please contact the library
or follow the Eventbrite QR code.



Farm Safe Fun with AgriKids



Join Hazel Tree Farm author Alma Jordan for an interactive ‘Farm Safe Fun’ event. Alma will read from one of her books and introduce children to the topic of farm safety, including how farm animals behave when they are in a good or bad mood as well as tractor and machinery safety. Ages 4 - 10.

Garristown Library	Monday, 29th July	3:00pm - 4:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Virtual Reality Showcase Sessions

Would you like to experience incredible immersive worlds on an Oculus Virtual Reality (VR) device? The Swords Library VR champions will show you how to use this exciting technology. Ages 13+.

Please note that Meta VR systems are not toys and must not be used by children under 13. For further information please go to <https://www.meta.com/ie/quest/safety-center/>

Swords Library	Monday, 8th July Monday 29th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



SUMMER STORY TIME

Clever Little Handies Rhyme & Sign Story Time

with Claire Glynn

Join us as we unlock the magic of storytelling through rhythmic rhymes and expressive signs. No previous experience is necessary as a brief introduction to baby sign and ISL (Irish Sign language) signs will be given. For parents with babies and toddlers from newborns up!



Rush Library	Thursday, 4th July	12:00pm - 1:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Friday, 5th July	11:00am - 12:00pm
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 9th July	11:00am - 12:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Toddler Time Stories and Songs

with Sarah Sparkles

Join Sarah Sparkles and her puppet friends for a fully interactive show for little ones, including singing, dancing and movement. And to finish off - lots of bubbles! Ages 0 - 5.



Malahide Library	Thursday, 20th June Thursday, 25th July Thursday, 8th August Thursday, 5th September	10:00am - 11:00am
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 25th June Tuesday, 24th September	11:00am - 12:00pm

All welcome, no booking necessary.

Magic Story Time

with Sarah Sparkles

Help Sarah Sparkles create a unique story and discover just how magical you really are. Sing songs, meet her puppet friends, and even help her perform some magic! Ages 5 - 8.



Skerries Library	Thursday, 25th July	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Howth Library	Thursday, 8th August	2:00pm - 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





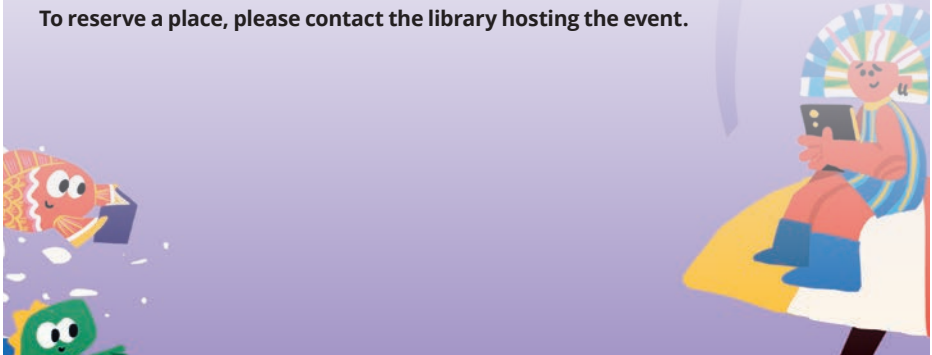
Summer Stars is the public reading programme that runs throughout the school summer holidays. Children throughout the country are invited to join the reading and writing adventure. Every child who reads/ listens to even one book or e-book has completed the programme – and it’s all completely free.

Check out Fingal Libraries Summer Stars events and activities!

Balbriggan Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Thursday, 18th July	2:00pm - 3:00pm 4 – 8 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Thursday, 20th June	3:30pm – 4:30pm 4 – 8 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Thursday, 11th July	2:00pm – 2:45pm 4 – 8 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Baldoyle Library

Summer Stars Celebration Day: Library treasure hunt, stories, board games, sensory time and more!	Monday, 1st July	All Day All Ages
Summer Stars Story Time	Thursday, 25th July	11:00am – 12:00pm 3 – 7 years
Summer Stars Story Time	Wednesday, 21st August	10:30am – 11:00am 3 - 6 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Tuesday, 9th July Thursday, 15th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 5 - 10 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Wednesday, 17th July	3:00pm – 4:00pm 5 - 10 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Blanchardstown Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Every Thursday from 4th July - 29th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm 4 + years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Tuesday, 9th July Tuesday, 20th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm 8 – 12 years
Summer Stars Board Games	Monday, 8th July Monday, 12th August	3:30pm – 4:30pm 8 + years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Donabate Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Tuesday, 13th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm 4 – 7 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Thursday, 15th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm 5 – 10 years
Summer Stars Quiz	Tuesday, 27th August	3:00pm – 4:30pm 4 +

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Garristown Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Wednesday, 19th June	3:45pm – 4:45pm 3 – 7 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Thursday, 11th July Tuesday, 16th July Monday, 22nd July Thursday, 8th August Tuesday, 20th August	3:00pm – 4:15pm 5 – 12 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Wednesday, 14th August	2:00pm – 3:15pm 5 – 12 years
Summer Stars Quiz	Thursday, 25th July	3:00pm – 4:30pm 8 – 12 years
Summer Stars Quiz	Monday, 19th August	6:30pm – 7:45pm 8 – 12 years
Empty the Suitcase Word Game	Tuesday, 9th July Thursday, 22nd August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 7 – 12 years
Blockbusters Word Game	Wednesday, 17th July Wednesday, 31st July	6:00pm – 7:00pm 8 – 12 years
Bingo for Children	Thursday, 18th July Wednesday, 21st August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 5 – 12 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Howth Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Tuesday, 2nd July Tuesday, 16th July	11:00am – 12:00pm 3 – 6 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Tuesday, 13th August	11:30am – 12:30pm 4 – 6 years
Summer Stars Quiz	Tuesday, 9th July	3:00pm – 4:00pm 8 – 12 years
Summer Stars Board Games	Monday, 15th July Monday, 22nd July Monday, 29th July	3:00pm – 4:30pm 7+ years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Malahide Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Friday, 12th July Friday, 9th August	10:00am – 11:00am 0 - 7 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Tuesday, 16th July Tuesday, 20th August	3:00pm – 3:30pm 4 - 7 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Tuesday, 9th July Tuesday, 13th August	3:00pm – 3:30pm 6 - 10 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Rush Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Wednesday, 7th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 4 - 7 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Wednesday, 21st August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 4 - 8 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Skerries Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Wednesday, 3rd July	11:00am – 12:00pm 4 - 8 years
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Swords Library

Summer Stars Story Time	Monday, 15th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm 4 - 8 years
Summer Stars Arts & Crafts	Monday, 12th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm 6 - 10 years
Summer Stars Quiz	Monday, 1st July	2:30pm – 3:30pm 6 - 11 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Sensory Friendly Lego with Young Engineers

This STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) Sensory Workshop offers a hands-on learning experience for children about animal life cycles, basic engineering, technology, and physics. We understand the importance of accommodating diverse learning styles enabling all to thrive. Ages 4 – 6.

Skerries Library	Saturday, 13th July	10:00am – 11:00am
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 13th July	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Donabate Library	Saturday, 13th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Howth Library	Saturday, 20th July	10:00am – 11:00am
Baldoyle Library	Saturday, 20th July	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Malahide Library	Saturday, 20th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Garristown Library	Monday, 8th July	3:00pm – 4:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Sensory Slime with Messy Adventures

Join Messy Adventures to make your very own slime, experimenting with different colours, ingredients, and scents. Making slime is fun as well as educational! Ages 7 – 11.

Rush Library	Wednesday, 24th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Swords Library	Thursday, 25th July	12:00pm – 1:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





Sensory Friendly Events

Musical Tots

with Karen Donnellan

Music is invaluable in the development of children from a very young age. This fun sensory musical workshop promises fun for tots and parents alike.



Blanchardstown Library

Saturday, 20th July
Saturday, 17th August

11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Messy Play

with Messy Adventures

Messy play is sensory play, involving ingredients such as sand, slime, water, jelly, flour and mud. There are proven benefits to messy play - it aids physical development, hand-eye co-ordination and supports language development. Ages 2 – 5.



Blanchardstown Library

Friday, 19th July

10:00am – 11:00am

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Sensory-Friendly Family Yoga

with Óga Yoga

Join Óga Yoga for a fun and dynamic exploration of movement and stillness. These sensory-friendly yoga sessions will focus on coordination, body awareness and balance. For children of all ages and their parent/ guardian.

Blanchardstown Library

Wednesday,
10th July

Session 1: 2:00pm – 2:45 pm
Session 2: 3:00pm – 3:45 pm
Session 3: 4:00pm – 4:45 pm



To reserve a place, please contact the library or follow the Eventbrite QR code.





African Percussion Family Workshop with John Nutekpor

Join us for an African percussion workshop hosted by the talented John Nutekpor from The Irish Institute of Music & Song. Delve into the world of African rhythm and song. A fun, interactive way of exploring a new genre of music. Suitable for all the family, young and old.

Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 29th June	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Rush Library	Saturday, 13th July	11:30am – 12:30pm
Malahide Library	Saturday, 10th August	11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

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Coding Workshop with OurKidsCode

OurKidsCode is a fun way for parents of primary aged children to explore creative computing together with their kids. Parents and kids work together in a family team during a 2-hour taster workshop where Aisling Breathnach from OurKidsCode will guide them through coding and crafting a dance mat.



To register, you need to have at least one child aged 8+. Older and younger siblings are welcome to come along too. No previous coding or computing experience is necessary. Families just need to bring a laptop and some enthusiasm!



Book your family's place, via the QR Code or registration link, and select the club code below for your choice of date from the drop-down menu

<https://www.ourkidscode.ie/register/>

Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 6th July	10:00am – 12:00pm Booking Code: DublinBlanchLibrary01
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 9th July	5:30pm – 7:30pm Booking Code: DublinBlanchLibrary02
Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 13th July	10:00am – 12:00pm Booking Code: DublinBlanchLibrary03
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 7th August	5:30pm – 7:30pm Booking Code: DublinBlanchLibrary04

Dyslexia Explained with Sinéad Hull

This interactive 'Dyslexia Explained' workshop is for children with dyslexia and their families. Learn about the science behind dyslexia and how the brain learns to read. Dyslexia myths will be explored, and the 'dyslexic advantage' explained! Children can try out tools, such as reading pens, which may help them with reading and/or writing.

Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 22nd June	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Swords Library	Saturday, 13th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Baldoyle library	Saturday, 17th August	11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





Helping Your Child Start Primary School

with Melissa Moore

The big day is coming, your little one is getting ready to start 'big school'! Are you concerned about how they will transition to a bigger class and longer days? Join Melissa Moore, accredited play therapist and mum of three to learn what you can do to support and empower your child.

Rush Library	Tuesday, 25th June	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Donabate Library	Monday, 12th August	6:45pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



National Heritage Week

A Heritage Council programme

17th - 25th August 2024

Heritage Week events for Children

Pollinator workshop

with Edel Heeran

Learn about bees and how the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan was developed to help them. You will get to try out beekeeping equipment in this fun and interactive workshop! Ages 8 – 13.



Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 19th August	11:00am – 12:00pm
Howth Library	Monday, 19th August	2:00pm – 3:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Turtle workshop

with Anyone4Science

Celebrate Heritage Week with this marine biology workshop from Anyone4Science. Learn about turtles and make a turtle model from dough to take home and bake. Suitable for primary school aged children.

Malahide Library	Monday, 19 August	3:00pm – 3:45pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

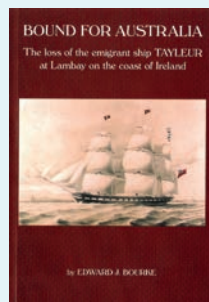


Heritage Week events for Adults

The Sinking of the Tayleur Sailing Ship, 1854

with Edward J. Bourke

The sailing ship Tayleur was wrecked on Lambay 170 years ago on 28th January 1854. Malahide, Skerries and Rush were involved in the story and rescue of the survivors. Edward J. Bourke, author of *Bound for Australia: The Loss of the Emigrant Ship Tayleur*, will give a talk on this maritime disaster, which claimed the lives of hundreds of people.



Malahide Library	Saturday, 24th August	3:00pm - 4:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Balbriggan Free Carnegie Library, a history 1905 – 2006

with Jim Walsh

To celebrate Heritage Week, join former Librarian Jim Walsh, for a walk down memory lane as he talks us through the history of Balbriggan Library from 1905 to 2006. Jim's talk will be an illustrated talk, with Jim sharing images of this wonderful building through the years.



Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 24th August	11:00am – 12:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Music in the Library

with Amie Grendon and Friends

Garristown Library	Wednesday, 21st August	7:00pm – 8:00pm
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Heritage Week at Fingal Local Studies & Archives

Fingal Local Studies & Archives is located at:
46 North Street, Swords, Co. Dublin, K67 F6Y3

Archive Open Days at Fingal Local Studies & Archives

Go behind the scenes of Fingal Local Studies & Archives and view a variety of interesting and unusual items from our collections. Find out what resources are available for local and family history and pick up free publications from our previous exhibitions. Our staff will be present to answer questions and guide visitors through the displays.

**Fingal Local Studies
& Archives**

Tuesday, 20th August
Thursday, 22nd August

10:00am – 5:00pm

All Welcome.

Getting started with Genealogy with Brian Kavanagh

Ever wondered how to start your family tree? Join Brian Kavanagh from Fingal Local Studies & Archives to learn more about using the resources available to uncover your family history. Find out how to use the census, look up church and civil registration records, and uncover Griffith's Valuations to make discoveries about your ancestors.

**Fingal Local Studies
& Archives**

Wednesday, 21st August

2:30pm – 3:30pm

Places are limited, booking required.

Please e-mail: archives@fingal.ie or call: (01) 870 4486.

A Hive of Activity: Fingal During the War of Independence with Dr. Bernard Kelly

Join historian Dr. Bernard Kelly as he explores the many facets of the war of independence in Fingal and the revolutionary connections and networks that were forged in the county during the decade 1912 - 1922.

**Fingal Local Studies
& Archives**

Tuesday, 20th August

7:00pm – 8:00pm

Places limited, booking required.

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Summer Plant Care Workshop

with Marie Hirst

Join Marie Hirst for a demonstration on how to look after your plants throughout the summer. Marie will discuss what your plants need to thrive including: deadheading and pruning techniques; the fertilisers and nutrients best for growth, fruit, flowers and roots; and the best position in the garden for your plants.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 3rd July	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 7th August	11:00am – 12:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Silk Painting Workshop

with Catherine McCourt

Explore the gentle art of painting on silk. Learn how to paint on 100% pure silk material using procion dyes and inks. Discover how to apply and fix the colours to create colourful vibrant pieces. Each participant will design their own unique silk fan to take home.



Donabate Library	Wednesday, 3rd July	5:30pm – 7:30pm
Rush Library	Thursday, 8th August	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Swords Library	Tuesday, 13th August	5:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





Creative Thinking and a Positive Writer Mindset with Geraldine Walsh

In this writers' workshop, journalist and author Geraldine Walsh will help you tap into your creativity and overcome creative blocks, while exploring the benefits of being a mindful writer. Improve your creative thinking skills with hands-on exercises.

Geraldine Walsh is the author of *Unravelling Motherhood: understanding your experience through self-reflection, self-care & authenticity* (Hatherleigh Press, 2023).



Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 17th July	5:45pm – 7:45pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Sustainable Vintage Fashion Demonstration with Aga Hutcherson

Join us for an inspiring demonstration on sustainable vintage fashion with the Wizard of Creation! Learn how to transform old clothes, hats, shoes, and handbags into unique, bespoke pieces. Discover techniques to breathe new life into your wardrobe while embracing eco-friendly practices.

Howth Library	Wednesday, 17th July	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Skerries Library	Thursday, 18th July	6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





Eachtraí Éire Shláintiúil i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall/ Healthy Ireland Events in Fingal Libraries

Fingal Libraries brings you these free events under the Healthy Ireland at your Library programme.

Chair Yoga with Katrina Barker

Join Katrina for a 4-week course featuring chair yoga, mindful movement, breath work and relaxation! This course is designed to promote a feeling of well-being and reduce stress. No experience is necessary, and all levels of fitness are welcome.



Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 22nd June	11:00am – 12:00pm
	Saturday, 29th June	
	Saturday, 6th July	
	Saturday, 13th July	

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Please note: This workshop involves physical movement. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.

Tai Chi course with Stephen Pentony

Tai Chi is a low impact, slow motion exercise. In this four-week course, Stephen Pentony will guide you through the graceful movements and health benefits of this Chinese practice. Comfortable clothing and footwear are recommended.

Blanchardstown Library	Friday, 26th July	10:00am – 11:00am
	Friday, 2nd August	
	Friday, 9th August	
	Friday, 16th August	

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Please note: This workshop involves physical movement. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.





Soft Rolling taster class with Annette Cashell

Would you like to try a 'Soft Rolling' exercise class with Pilates teacher and fascial fitness instructor Annette Cashell? Rolling massages the muscles and the slow, soft nature of soft rolling in combination with breathing and pausing works well on fascia. Soft rollers are supplied for the event, but participants must bring their own yoga mat and a small pillow/towel.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 3rd July	11:00am – 12:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Please note: This class is not suitable during pregnancy or for people who have osteoporosis. A screening form must be completed by participants in advance. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.

The Mind Workshop with Yuki Fragariani

Ever wonder why you start strong on new resolutions, only to find yourself slipping back into old habits? Join us for a workshop where you'll explore the power of your subconscious mind. Whether you want to scroll less on your phone, quit smoking, or embrace a healthier lifestyle, this workshop will provide you with practical techniques to harness the power of your mind for a happier, healthier you.



Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 10th August	11:00am - 12:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



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Blanchardstown Library D&D Summer Club

Three sessions of classic style D&D for beginners and experienced players alike. Peer-led campaigns featuring junior Dungeon Masters, and games facilitated by library staff. Campaigns begin at character level 3, all materials including character sheets provided. We advise attendees to attend all three dates. Age 8+.

Blanchardstown Library	Thursday, 4th July	2:00pm – 4:00pm
	Thursday, 18th July	
	Thursday, 22nd August	

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Fantasy Map-Making Design Workshop

Create your very own fantasy land and invent its unique topography and special features. Perfect for adventurous readers, aspiring writers, and table-top gamers! All materials provided. Age 8+.

Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 29th July	2:00pm – 3:30pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Donabate Library D7D Summer Club

Our new campaign is beginner-friendly with all materials provided. There are two groups to choose from. Age 9+.

Donabate Library Group 1	Wednesday, 26th June Wednesday, 3rd July Wednesday, 10th July	2:30pm – 5:00pm
Donabate Library Group 2	Wednesday, 17th July Wednesday, 24th July Wednesday, 31st July	2:30pm – 5:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Swords Library D7D Summer Club

Beginners' workshops for children, teens, adults, and families on different dates.

Swords Library	Monday, 8th July	6:00pm – 7:30pm Adults
Swords Library	Tuesday, 16th July	3:30pm – 5:00pm 13 - 17 years
Swords Library	Tuesday, 23rd July	3:30pm – 5:00pm 8 - 12 years
Swords Library	Tuesday, 30th July	3:30pm – 5:00pm Family (inter-generational)

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





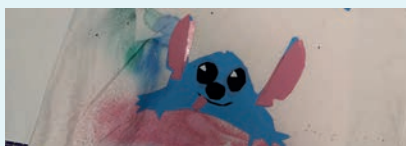
T-Shirt Upcycling

Our T-Shirt Upcycling Workshop is an ideal introduction for anyone wanting to combine creativity and sustainability with textiles. During this fun, hands-on session, you will explore various design techniques and transform well-loved t-shirts into unique pieces using heat transfer vinyl.

Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 27th July	11:00am – 1:00pm
	Saturday, 17th August	Age 9 – 12
Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 17th August	2:00pm – 4:00pm
		Age 13 - 16



To reserve a space,
please follow the QR code.



Introduction to Soldering

This is a great workshop for anyone interested in design, circuitry, and soldering. Learn how to solder and how circuits can be designed for decorative use. You will work with our in-house designed LED kit to build a simple flashing LED piece.

Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 10th August	11:00am – 12:30pm
		Age 10 – 12
Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 10th August	2:00pm – 3:30pm
		Age 13 - 17



To reserve a space,
please follow the QR code.





Mobile Library Summer Tour

The Fingal Libraries Mobile Van will be coming to a festival near you over the summer so why not drop by and say hello! The mobile library carries a wide range of adult and children's books, along with audio books, internet access and a free request service for books not in stock. You can also join the library if you are not a member. Membership is FREE!

Safer Together Summer Festival, Millennium Park, Blanchardstown	Saturday, 8th June	Murf the Magician: 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Flavours of Fingal, Newbridge House & Farm, Donabate	Saturday, 29 June	Facepainting: 2:00pm – 4:00pm Reuben the Magician: 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Flavours of Fingal, Newbridge House & Farm, Donabate	Sunday, 30 June	Facepainting: 2:00pm – 4:00pm Alan Nolan: 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Meakstown Community Fun Day, Lanesborough Park	Saturday, 6th July	Waffles the Wonderful: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Donabate/Portrane Summer Festival	Saturday, 10th August	Murf the Magician: 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Skerries Poetry Festival	Friday, 13th September	Children's poetry reading competition

All welcome, no booking necessary.

Regular Events at your Local Fingal Library

Discover a fabulous range of recurring events at your local library – from reading and language groups and sensory quiet time, to activities to keep the children busy, we're sure we have an event to inspire you! Contact your local library for more information about these events!

Balbriggan Library		
Spanish Conversation Group (Adults)	Every Thursday	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Knitting and Crotchet	Every Monday	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Irish Conversation Group	Every Thursday	6:30pm – 8:00pm
Adult Book Club	Last Wednesday of the month	6:00pm – 7:15pm
Young Adult Book Club	Meets monthly on Saturdays (contact library to check next meetup)	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Creative Poetry Writing Club	Every Tuesday	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Sensory Friendly Quiet Time	Every Monday	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Warehouse Writers Group	Every Second Friday	2:30pm – 4:00pm
Balbriggan Youth Theatre	Every Wednesday	4:00pm – 6:00pm
Balbriggan Library Film Club	First Saturday of every month	2:00pm – 4:00pm
LGBT+ Book & Film Club	Last Saturday of every month	10:30am - 12:30pm
Academic Referencing Sessions	Contact library to book an appointment	
Virtual Reality (VR) drop-in sessions with our VR library champions (13yrs+)	Contact library to book an appointment	

Baldoyle Library		
English Classes for Adults	Every Monday (except July and August)	10:00am – 11:00am
Lounge Lizards Music group	Every Second Saturday	3:00pm – 4:30pm
Baldoyle Crafters	3rd and 4th Wednesday of the month	10:30am – 12:30pm
Movie Evening for Adults	Second Monday of the month	5:30pm



Blanchardstown Library

Sensory Friendly Quiet Hour (Any Age)	Every Monday Evening	6:30pm – 7:30pm
E-Services Clinic	Every Wednesday Afternoon	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Peaceful Playtime (4yrs +)	Every Wednesday Afternoon	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Parent and Toddler Group	Every Thursday Morning	11:00am – 12:30pm
Storytime (4yrs +)	Every Thursday Afternoon	3:00pm – 3:30pm
Adult Craft Circle	Fortnightly, Tuesday Evenings (Starting 28th May)	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Age Action	Every Friday Morning	10:00am – 1:00pm
Blanchardstown Historical Society	Saturday, 25th May Saturday, 29th June	2:00pm – 3:30pm 1:30pm – 4:00pm
Breast Feeding Support Group	Every Wednesday Morning	11:00am – 1:00pm
French Conversation Group (Adults)	Every Saturday	10:00am – 12:00pm
Irish Conversation Group (Adults)	Every Saturday	10:00am – 12:00pm
Life Ring	Every Friday Afternoon	1:00pm – 3:00pm
Older & Wiser Ukrainian Group	Every Monday Morning	10:30am – 12:30pm
Virtual Reality Sessions (13yrs +)	Monday, 24th June	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Blanchardstown Library Baby Book Club	Third Tuesday of the month	11:30am – 12:00pm

Donabate Library

Sensory Quiet Time	Every Monday Evening	5:30pm – 6:30pm
Caint agus Comhrá	Third Monday of the Month	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Monday Evening Book Club	Last Monday of the Month	6:30pm -7:30pm
Donabate Community Crafters	Every Wednesday Evening	6pm – 7:30pm
Baby Book Club	Every Thursday Morning	10:00am – 10:30am
Adult Knitting Group	Every Thursday Morning	11:00am – 1:00pm
Junior Chess Club	Every Friday Afternoon	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Chinkwell Writers Group	Every Second Saturday	11:00am – 1:00pm

Garristown Library

Monday Chess Club (ages 7 - 12 years)	Monday, 8th January to Monday, 25th March	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Monday Chess Club Monday Scrabble Club (7-12 yrs)	Monday afternoons	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Tuesday Chess Club (7-12 yrs)	Tuesday afternoons	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Scrabble Club (7-12 yrs)	Thursday afternoons	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Story Time (3-7 yrs)	Every Wednesday except the last Wednesday of the month	3:45pm – 4:45pm
Junior Readers Book Club (8-12 yrs)	Last Wednesday of every month	3:30pm – 4:30pm
English Classes for Adults (Run by ETB)	Every Monday afternoon	1:15pm -3:15pm
Art and craft classes for adults (Run by ETB)	Every Wednesday evening	5:45pm – 7:45pm

Howth Library

Contact Howth Library for details of events.

Malahide Library

Ukrainian Meetup Group	Every Monday	2:00pm – 3:00pm
French Conversation Group for improvers	Every Monday	4:30pm – 5:30pm
Spanish Conversation Group	Every Thursday	6:00pm – 7 :30pm
Sensory Quiet Time	Every Wednesday	5:30pm – 6:30pm
Toddler Time	Every Thursday	10:00am – 11:30am
A variety of Book Clubs and an afternoon and evening Film Club	Contact Library for details	
Age Action	Every Thursday	12:00pm – 2:00pm



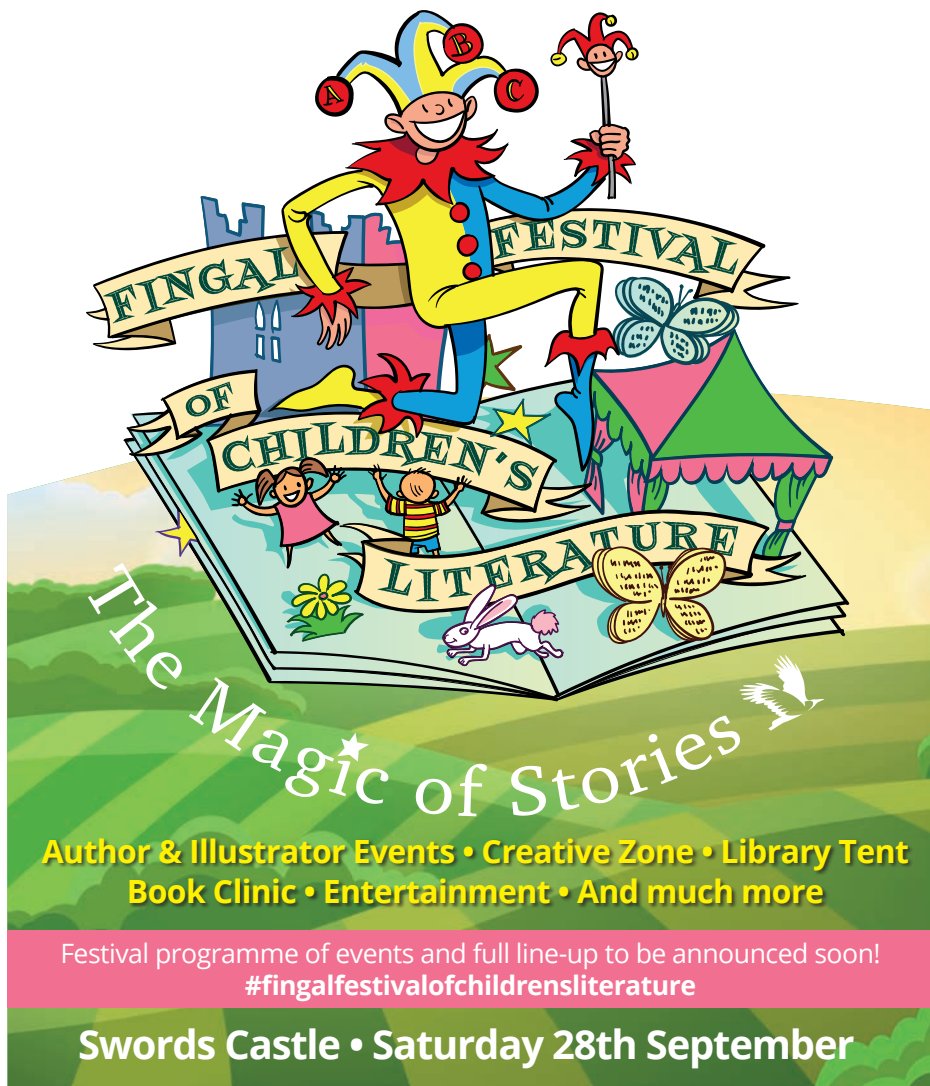
Rush Library		
Irish Conversation Group (Adults)	Every second Tuesday	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Community art group	Every Friday	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Rush library book club (Adults)	Every 1st Wednesday of month	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Rush Library Baby Book club	Second Wednesday of month	10:00am – 11:00am
Guided meditation	Last Saturday of month	10:30am – 12:30pm
Art classes (Beginners) (ETB)	Every Monday (10 weeks from 15th April)	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Art classes (intermediate) (ETB)	Every Monday (10 weeks from 22nd April)	11:30am – 1:30pm
Yoga (ETB)	Every Wednesday (10 weeks from 10th April)	3:30pm – 5:00pm

Skerries Library
Contact Skerries Library for details of events.

Swords Library		
Baby Book Club	Alternate Tuesdays * Excluding Tuesdays after Bank Holidays/Except August	10:30am – 11:30am
Senior Scrabble Monday	Every Monday starting from 1st July	11:30am – 1:00pm
Irish Conversation Group	Every Wednesday starting from 3rd July	6:30pm – 7:45pm

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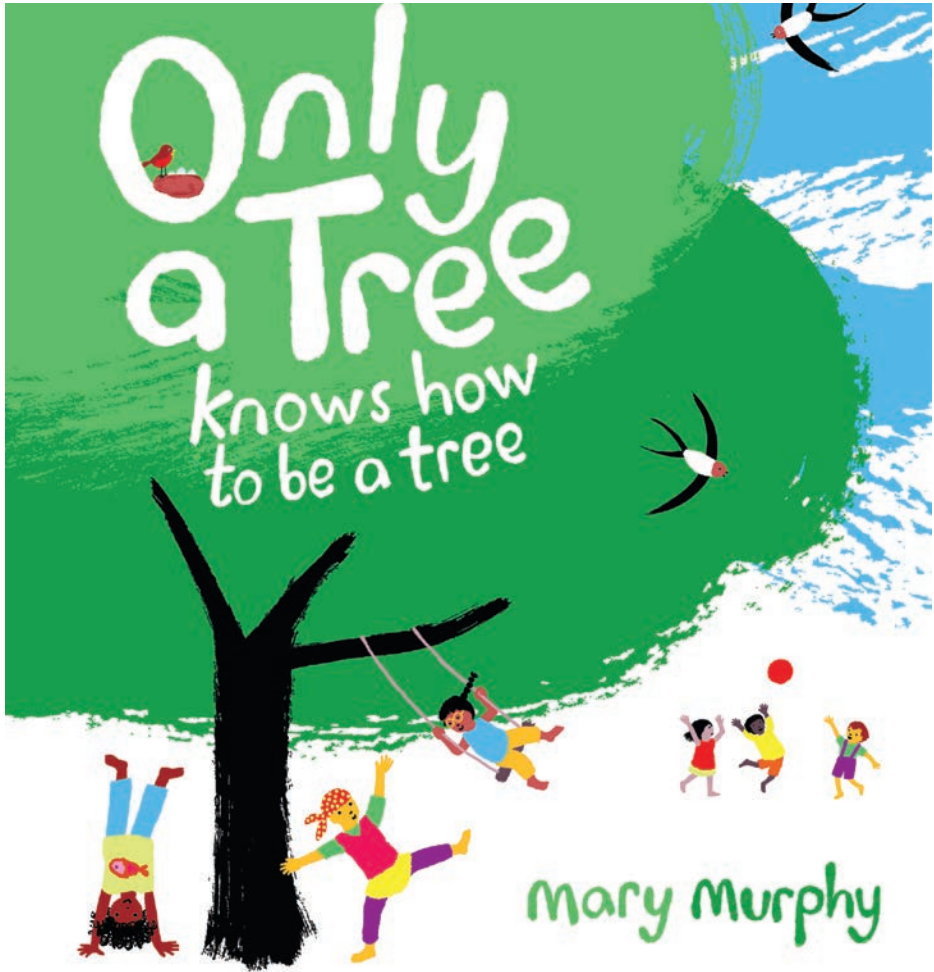


**Author & Illustrator Events • Creative Zone • Library Tent
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Festival programme of events and full line-up to be announced soon!
[#fingalfestivalofchildrensliterature](https://twitter.com/fingalfestivalofchildrensliterature)

Swords Castle • Saturday 28th September





Storytrail in Santry Demesne Park

*A tree has leaves that turn sunshine into tree food.
Amazing! Only a tree knows how to be a tree.*

Based on the book written and illustrated by Mary Murphy and published by Otter-Barry Books, Fingal's third story trail meanders through the idyllic landscape of Santry Demesne. Here the vibrant illustrations of *Only a Tree Knows How to be a Tree* come to life, as storytelling intertwines with the serenity of the outdoors.

The Story Trail project aims to create a family experience that blends creativity, literacy, and exercise in a fun and interactive way. Check out Fingal Libraries' other story trails! - *The Ravenous Beast* by Niamh Sharkey in Ardgillan Castle, Balbriggan, and *The Lonely Beast* by Chris Judge in Kenure Park, Rush.

Cá bhfuil mo leabharlann is cóngaraí? Where is my nearest library?

Balbriggan	01 870 4401	balbrigganlibrary@fingal.ie
Baldoyle	01 890 6793	baldoylelibrary@fingal.ie
Blanchardstown	01 890 5560	blanchlibrary@fingal.ie
Donabate	01 890 5609	donabate.library@fingal.ie
Garristown	01 835 5020	garristownlibrary@fingal.ie
Howth	01 890 5026	Howth.library@fingal.ie
Malahide	01 870 4430	malahidelibrary@fingal.ie
Rush	01 870 8414	rushlibrary@fingal.ie
Skerries	01 890 5671	skerrieslibrary.library@fingal.ie
Swords	01 890 5582	swordslibrary@fingal.ie
Mobile Library Service	01 890 6719	mobile.libraries@fingal.ie
Housebound Library Service	01 860 4290	housebound.library@fingal.ie
Local Studies and Archives	01 870 4486	Local.Studies@fingal.ie

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