



Local Authority Integration Team

March & April 2025

What's on in the North County Area?

Who is the Local Authority Integration Team?

Fingal County Council's Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) works with:

- Applicants for International Protection
- Those with Refugee, Subsidiary Protection, or Permission to Remain status
- Programme Refugees
- Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTP)

Our role is to support and empower individuals integrating into Irish Society and foster a sense of belonging and inclusion. Our support includes access and signposting to language, employment, education and health supports.

Contact us at integration@fingal.ie

About This Newsletter

All events listed are free to attend!

For a comprehensive list of activities in your local area check out:

- **Fingal County Council's event calendar:**
<https://www.fingal.ie/events/fingal-events-guide-2025>
- **Fingal County Council's library events brochure:**
<https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-libraries-summer-2025-brochure>
- **Your local community centre:**
<https://fingalcommunityfacilitiesnetwork.ie/centres/>

News

IPAS- Labour Market Access Permission:

- Starting from 29th January 2025, applicants need to apply online for Labour Market Access Permission. It is crucial to ensure that all applicants provide an email address accurately when applying through the ISD Portal to receive their permit.
- For more information, visit <https://www.irishimmigration.ie>

BOTP - Extension of Temporary Protection:

- There is an extension of Temporary Protection until March 2026. If your current permission expires on 4th March 2025, you will soon be able to apply to renew your TP permission and IRP card online.

Chess Club

When is it?

Mondays & Tuesdays, 3:15pm -4:30pm

Where is it?

Garristown Library

More Information/registration:

For those aged between 7 -12



Chair Yoga with Yoganamara

When is it?

21st and 28th of March, 10am-11am
4th and 11th of April, 10am-11am

Where is it?

Donabate Library

More Information/registration:

To book contact contact Donabate Library at 01 890 5609 or donabate.library@fingal.ie



ESOL English Language Classes



What is it? This course is for students whose English writing skills need to be developed for progression to other further education learning opportunities

When is it? This is a part-time course, taking place in the morning, afternoon or evenings. Courses are located in **Balbriggan** and **Swords**

More information/ registration:

Adults who need to improve their English Language reading and writing skills

Contact:

For **Balbriggan** - Hanna McManus at hannamcmanus@ddletbaes.ie or phone 01 841 7763 / 01 802 0360

Are you interested in taking a course?

The DDLETB offers a wide range of programmes for learners at different learning levels. There are part-time and full-time courses available for Spring 2025.

Contact your local centre for more information.

Email: balbriggan@ddletbaes.ie

Phone: [01 841 7763](tel:018417763)

Website: <https://adulthoodeducationnorthcountydublin.ie/>

Dave's Jungle Interactive Animal Show

What is it? This event offers children the chance to discover amazing facts, inspiring a passion for learning about nature.

When is it? Friday 25th April, 11:00 -12:00 pm

Where is it? Balbriggan Library

More Information: For ages 5 and up

International Women's Day 8th of March



International Women's Day

Celebrating the Milestones of Ethnic Minority Artists in Ireland

What is it? On this global day celebrating the cultural, economic, and political achievements of women, join writers Melatu Uche Okorie, Neo Florence Gilson, and Gonchighand Byambaa as they read from their work and discuss their practice.

When is it? 8th of March, 2pm-4pm

Where is it? Balbriggan Library

For more information: Booking is essential - please contact Balbriggan Library to book your place on 01 870 4401 or balbrigganlibrary@fingal.ie



Are you interested in volunteering?

Whether you're seeking a specific volunteer role or general advice, Fingal Volunteer Centre is here to help. It's free, and there's no pressure to commit if you're not ready.

Explore the national volunteering database for volunteer roles and opportunities in your area: <https://www.i-vol.ie/>

If you simply want to learn more, you can email info@volunteerfingal.ie or call 01 899 1921

Scan the QR code to visit our website:



Celebrate ST. PATRICK'S DAY in Fingal

A day of fun
and
celebration, for
all!

On **Monday the 17th of March**, 2025, towns and villages all across Fingal will be celebrating Irish culture and community spirit through a range of events

To mark the occasion, St. Patrick's Day Parades will take place in:

- **Balbriggan @ 12pm**
- **Lusk @ 1:30pm**
- **Rush @ 1pm**
- **Skerries @ 3pm**



Fun fact!

That St. Patrick is said to have banished all the snakes from the island of Ireland

His name was originally Maewyn Succat

Other St. Patrick's day events taking place:

9/03

Irish Legends and Folklore,
Rush Library,
2pm - 3pm

12/03

St. Patrick's Day Arts and Crafts,
Donabate Library,
3pm - 4pm

13/03

St. Patrick's Day Arts and Crafts in
Balbriggan Library,
3:30pm - 4:30pm

Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona dhuit!

