**Lucan Library ACM Highlights November 2022**

**Science Month** across South Dublin Libraries.

A group of people watching a presentation

Description automatically generated with medium confidenceLots going on for Science Month at Lucan Library. Anyone 4 Science and Maker Meets sessions for school groups. Dave’s Jungle, Snap Circuits, Magformers, Juanita’s Talk (a recycling show!) all took place over mid-term at the beginning of November. Lucan Library also introduce STEAM Saturday, a morning of Science Activities for children aged 8-12yrs on Saturday 19th November (booking essential via Eventbrite).

**DAF Funded Projects:**

**Produced with Pride: Film Making for Teens** – in these DAF-funded workshops led by Burning House Productions local teenagers learnt how to make a short film using their smartphone. One workshop took place at a local secondary school while the other workshop was open to teens at the library during mid-term break.

**County Wide Programmes for parents and carers: Sorry I’m late, I’ve got kids! and South Dublin Libraries Celebrating Neuro Diversity**

****South Dublin Libraries Talks continue at Lucan Library on Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th November: Baby and Child First Aid; a Little Lámh workshop; and an online talk on Speech Sound Disorders. Booking via Eventbrite.

**NORTH CLONDALKIN LIBRARY: ACM highlights**

**Science Month in NCL: A group of people watching a presentation

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Events for Science month included: The Eccentric Energy Show 2nd November; Juanita’s Talk-Clown Show 3rd November; Go fly your Kite Christmas Kites & Lights Saturday 19th November; STEAM Saturdays Saturday 12th Nov & 19th November.

**DAF Funded Projects in NCL:**

**Rockjam Music sessions** took place in NCL from Monday 7th Nov-Friday 11th November with a local secondary school group. Students took part in a fully supervised week of jam sessions, workshops, song writing, music labs & music talks culminating in the production of 2 music videos which can be shared with friends and family.

**Voices from Ukraine:** Recording of stories & portraits took place in NCL (in association with Peter Varga-from The Humans of Dublin) throughout the month of November. A launch and exhibition will take place in NCL later in the year. The portrait and stories will also form part of the HOD online exhibition and platform.

**County Wide Programmes for parents and carers: Sorry I’m late, I’ve got kids! and South Dublin Libraries Celebrating Neuro Diversity**

South Dublin Libraries **Parenting Talks** in NCL in November included:

Pathological Demand Avoidance (Online event) 19th October; Autism Friendly Party Saturday 5th November; Sensory Story Time Saturday 19th November; Lamh Course 21st Nov & 29th November.

***Christmas Family Fun Day takes place in NCL on Saturday 19th November***

**Palmerstown Hub: ACM Highlights**

**Science Month:**

For Season of Science we had the Breaking the Ice challenge with Makermeet and a class from St. Brigid’s GNS. Learning about surface tension created a tense and competitive atmosphere as the girls strived to be the last to break the ‘ice’.

During the Hallowe’en midterm break we had STEAM Snap Circuits - lots of whirring, buzzing and things flying off in the air!

**DAF Funded Projects: South Dublin Libraries Celebrating Neuro Diversity**

Down Syndrome 101(online event) 22nd November at 11am. An online talk by Jennifer Grundulis, Senior Speech and Lanuguage Therapist. This short talk will cover an introduction to Down Syndrome (DS), what it is, and the most common presentation in children. It will touch on the scope and range of DS, as well as general techniques to help support a child. Booking via [https://www.eventbrite.ie/.../down-syndrome-101-tickets...](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.eventbrite.ie%2Fe%2Fdown-syndrome-101-tickets-458584427367%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR00g0O87QdkUU_wiDHDEFNiiDICjm3alCznH7bGpDQxFzriichEIBmjKN0&h=AT1QPQLxm3U2_ysWZbevX07tY6K1EKs0cL3Htt9HUt5ALXgAyfDhs5HzRjMgOeomVW1A3HIVJ_9Sj1UD8xateau8kZVMjB0asEdTlPbbbwaPUtQwSEwDS_se1lZ1W2HFoA&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT2sqLoHkSvJUv8A_88P6HJdjfC-dRkvxwaSDmBx9FcoG5eoqrhHsaHgAsSPIGA4yi8XHwDCd-1LFJDBNZ5IUNQ6I_xDTIHS9qEuATgsZgqWIgu0zsCqmVPL0se1mFWLFqNxaMQMyDV4Y5bz20CJZfO8RENIw6GkQqeoNDIfyvGH0SyQdNRHEwifEe_ID0Pc6SETVprtDr0xCYbV-qTEKOwxnPh_CWNDfLwZSf8)

**Mobile Library | October/November 2022**

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The Mobile Library delivered another full programme in October.  We made 144 public stops around the county and made 16 visits to primary schools.  We had a great response to our call for children to come on board the Mobile Library in their Halloween costumes.  They each collected a spooky reward, and many parents allowed us to take a photograph and share it on social media.  Our home delivery service, Library@Home, aimed at people who have difficulty leaving their houses, continues to deliver books to 109 homes each month. On 20th October we paid our first visit to Youthreach Priory in Tallaght where the young people visited the library truck, took out membership and engaged in a drumming workshop. On 27th October we made our third visit to Citywest Hotel for our monthly Ukrainian Outreach event”.

**Red Line Festival**

The Red Line Festival was a great success this year and ran from October 13-16th in over 40 events in fascinating performance venues including Rathfarnham Castle, Pearse Museum and Baldonnel Aerodrome as well as the Civic and branch libraries across South Dublin.  From ‘True Crime’ with Paul Williams, Ex-State Pathologist Dr Marie Cassidy and Private Investigator Patrick Marry to rapping with writer in residence Selló at The Civic or readings of Ulysses at Rathfarnham Castle to Shadow puppet making at Pearce Museum and a whole series of sports events at Tallaght Stadium, poetry awards and Puca puppets, the Red Line Festival was a celebration of all things literary be it spoken, written, sung, played, illustrated, or even just thought!

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The Red Line Festival was produced by South Dublin Libraries and Arts at South Dublin County Council offering a programme of events and workshops that appeals to people of all ages and interests, from children to adults, casual readers to bookworms with events in six different strands As Gaeilge, Literary, Sport & Wellbeing, Music & Performance, Crime & Horror and Family.  The festival featured wonderful authors such as Michael Harding, Donal Ryan and Emilie Pine, Conor Creighton, Louise Phillips and many more.

History, heritage and the Irish language featured throughout the festival. Dean Ruxton discussed his book Death on Ireland’s Eye and Rebecca Brownlie brought her Abandoned Ireland exhibition to the Tallaght Library, highlighting the social importance of our forgotten buildings.   Colmán Ó Raghallaigh, Micheál Ó Conghaile and Réaltán Ní Leannáin took part in the As Gaeilge strand.

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On Sunday at Tallaght Stadium Jonathan Wilson discussed his biography of Bobby and Jack Charlton with local journalist Ronan O’Flaherty. Siobhán Doyle gave a brilliant talk on The History of GAA in 100 objects and George Hamilton had a rousing discussion with Gareth Maher about his book: Away Days - 30 years of Irish footballers in the Premier League.