

A large outdoor chess set is laid out on a checkered board in a public space. A young boy in a white t-shirt and dark shorts stands on the left, looking at the board. In the background, several people are engaged in various activities: a woman in a black shirt and blue pants is leaning over the board, a woman in a purple shirt is sitting at a table, and a woman in a black shirt and pink pants is standing. The setting appears to be a modern building's outdoor area with large windows and a paved ground. The text "Tallaght, Castletymon and Mobile libraries" is overlaid in white on the image.

# Tallaght, Castletymon and Mobile libraries

September ACM report 2024

# Tallaght Library, Summer 2024

42,550 people visited Tallaght library in July and August

260 Events took place in Tallaght Library in July and August which were attended by 4,501 people

Summer Stars reading challenge took place over the Summer in Irish public libraries, over 600 children signed up for the programme in Tallaght library



## Events @Tallaght library for children

18 visits from Summer camps from local D.E.I.S schools and Summer camps for neurodiverse children.

Visits to summer camps in schools

Family Fun day in Tallaght library on with Childhood Development Initiative to celebrate the Dolly Parton imagination library, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> of July

Children's events throughout the Summer e.g. writing workshops for children, Manga and Pokemon illustration workshops, toddler times, story times, magic show, puppet show, Sensory mornings, sensory explorers' workshops. Neuro diverse Magical Mackers show. Classical kids concert, arts and crafts workshops , smoothie making workshop with Cool Food School, teddy bear sleepover

STEAM events: Staff led introduction to coding with micro bits, sticker making workshop, stop motion animation workshop with staff, anyone4science Charlie and the chocolate factory workshop, Arcade game design workshop, make a propellor powered car, LEGO challenges, 3D printing workshop with staff



## Events for adults over the Summer

**Mender space-** Self-directed Mender Space sessions started up in the library, people can book time slots for our mender space with sewing machines, thread ect. and can tackle their latest sewing or mending project.

Several blocks of 3 week **sewing and mending courses**. Participants learnt to sew and mend by hand and on machine and how to extend the life of their clothes.

**Chess club** for adults started up on Wednesday evenings 6.30

**D24 Reads-** Speed dating with a book meet up. Participants of the challenge have been collecting their prizes of tote bags, mugs and book tokens.

**English as a foreign language** classes continued throughout the Summer Monday – Thursday 11.30-1.30pm



# History and heritage week

## First ever History fair in Tallaght library

### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> of August

- George Morrison's Saoirse? Film Screening
- One to one sessions with genealogist Ita O' Boyle between 10-4.00pm
- Arthur Griffiths and Michael Collins, a talk by historians Liz Gillis and Cathy Scuffil
- Viking Dagger making workshops for children throughout the day with the Irish School of Archaeology
- A ramble about Tallaght, a talk by Albert Perris
- 3 Families one war, a talk by David Power
- Photogrammetry 3D imaging demonstration
- The John Mullen Collection- a postal collection covering the Belfast Peace Process, exhibition ran 16<sup>th</sup> of August to 24<sup>th</sup> of August



## Tallaght library for young adults over the Summer

**Dungeons and Dragons club** for teens and run by library staff met once a month

**Comhairle makes noise**, Thursday 22 of August  
A music, arts and wellbeing festival for 15- 17-year-olds in partnership with Comhairle, Foroige, NOISE south Dublin and Rua Red and Tallaght library

Live acts took place on the library floor along with workshops in our seminar room from jigsaw, a pool tournament in the loft area and digital workshops led by Staff from Tallaght library in our maker space.

Staff from Tallaght library visited **Subsounds Youth music festival** in TU Dublin , July 6<sup>th</sup> where we hosted a neurodiverse space to chill out on the day of the festival in TU. Music was by young musicians from SubSounds and Music Generation throughout Leinster



# Exhibitions Tallaght Library, Summer and September

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) presented an exhibition showcasing the creative works from the Community-Based Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (CB MHPSS) project, 8<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> of July

Exhibition by Shweta Jain 5<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> of August

Field work an exhibition by Keiran Guckian 2<sup>nd</sup> of September to 27<sup>th</sup> of September. Kieran is a landscape artist who will be appearing on



# Healthy Ireland step into September at Tallaght library

- Chair yoga with Geraldine Howe
- Self Defence for secondary schools
- Fun and fitness for children
- Baby rave with move with Carla
- Parent and baby movement and well being
- Jump Start boxing academy intro to boxing for 6-11 year olds Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of September and also Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of September for neurodivergent children
- Yoga course with DDLETB
- New collection of Healthy Ireland books





## Coming soon in September

- Ciorcal Comhrá, Irish language conversation group
- Spanish / English language exchange
- Menderspace,
- World suicide prevention day vigil outside Tallaght library
- Culture night, 20<sup>th</sup> of September, music, Reuben the entertainer and Dave's Jungle along with presentation of Summer Stars certs and prizes
- Computer classes in partnership with the DDLETB
- Staff led Acorn tablet training
- 17<sup>th</sup> of September, Dementia day with Tallaght hospital, talks and information stands throughout the day in relation to dementia
- Clothes swap, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> of September



# Castletymon Library September/early October Highlights

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- Decluttering and Recycling Workshop as part of Dublin Climate Action Week
- The Art of Storytelling Workshop with Pat Ryan for Culture Night
- Children's events including STEAM for neurodiverse children
- Beyond the Priory Walls local history talk with Albert Perris
- Supporting your Child with Anxiety Talk as part of the Neurodiverse South Dublin series.



# Red Line Book Festival

Our annual flagship festival takes place from 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October with a stellar lineup of writers, artists and performers at venues all over South Dublin County. Highlights in Tallaght include:

- Emma Doran in conversation with Amy Huberman at the Civic about her book Mad Isn't it? Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>
- An evening with Marian Keyes at the Civic Friday 18<sup>th</sup>
- Family Fun Day in Parthalán Place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>
- Mark Fennell at Work IQ, Tallaght Innovation Quarter on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>
- True Crime Night at the Civic with Muireann O'Connell, Pat Marry and Mick Clifford on Saturday
- Poetry Competition Awards Night at Castletymon Library on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>
- See [redlinefestival.ie](https://redlinefestival.ie) for details of all events



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# Mobile Libraries Update

- Schools service has resumed. It has been expanded to include Fridays ie 4 new DEIS schools will receive a service every 4 weeks.
- Weekend events for August are Glenshane Community Day, Adamstown Community Day and The Colour run in Tymon Park.
- Little Library Bags were distributed at our Early Learning Centre visits and Summer camp visits.
- Two new public stops will be introduced from September in 2 new areas, Seven Mills and St Edmund's Square.

