

Tallaght, Castletymon and Mobile libraries

November ACM report 2024



2024 October Stats Tallaght Library

Visits: 24,070

Events: 186

Attendees: 5,507



Highlights from October

Red Line Book Festival

Wednesday 16th of October

The Irish in the Resistance

Clodagh Finn and John Morgan in conversation with Dr. Deirdre Foley.

Thursday 17th of October

Stories of black Irish Women in Ireland

Dr. Ebun Joseph, Special Rapporteur for the National Plan Against Racism in conversation with four of the book's contributors.

Saturday 19th of September

Red Line Family Fun Day

Events included Wanda the witch story time, puppet show from Partykidz, Halloween costume swap, illustration workshops with Una Woods, special effects Halloween make up workshops for teens and Halloween customisation workshop, face painting and balloon modling.



More Highlights from October Children's Book Festival

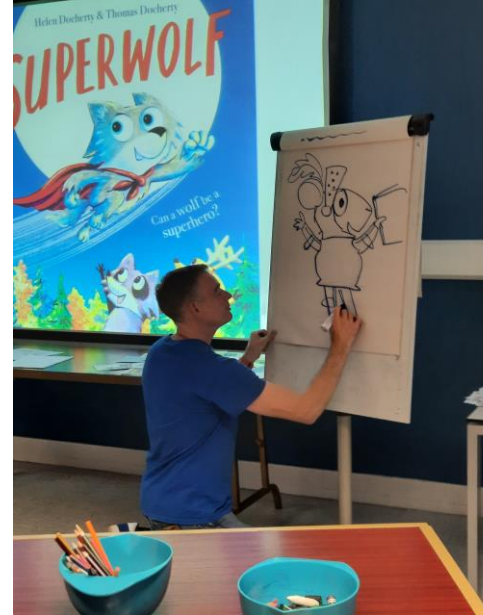
- Wednesday 2nd of October, children from local primary schools got to meet author Ger Siggins who talked about the Story of Irish Rugby.
- Thursday 24th of October children got to participate in an Illustration workshop with Thomas Docherty.

Tallaght Health Awareness Month

As part of this Tallaght library hosted a series of talks delivered by Tallaght Hospital on topics such as sepsis, menopause and preparing for surgery.

Music @ Tallaght Library

- Early Years music classes for 0- 4 year olds with Music Generation, Thursday mornings throughout October.
- Monday 21st of October, to celebrate International Harp Day, we were treated to a beautiful harp recital by Sophie Ní Riain.
- On Thursday 24th October there was a performance from "Universal Dream" with music from all over the globe.



November at Tallaght library

Comic Fest

Tuesday 5th of November , Superhero story time and mask making workshop for ages 3+.

Make your own comic, Kids LEGO and turned it into a comic book page for ages 9+.

Wednesday 6th of November, Comic Book Creation with Triona Farrell for ages 12+.

A morning with Chris Judge for schools.

Classes from local primary schools met Chris who talked about his new graphic novel “Evil Duck and the Feathers of Fortune”.

Thursday 7th of November Comic Making for wellbeing with Kate Escolin.

Friday 8th of November, A talk with Ben Hennessy. Transition year classes met Ben who is an author, podcaster and illustrator.

Saturday 9th of November Manga Portrait workshop with Shota Kotake for ages 8+.



Library Labs: Science Week

Monday 11th of November, The Ice Age Show with the Nutty Scientists for a neurodiverse primary school class.

7.00pm Forecasting Irish Weather, a talk with Brandon Creagh from RTE Met Éireann, a talk for adults.

Wednesday the 13th of November, 7.00pm ABCs of DNA with Christine Poole, a talk for adults.

Saturday 16th of November, The regeneration generation, saving planet earth.

Regeneration Journeys 11.00am for 5- 7-year-olds, Recycling to regenerate 1.00pm, for 8- 10-year-olds, Regeneration persuasion 3.00pm, for 8- 10-year-olds.

Saturday November 23rd, Secret Science of Santa, 12- 1.00pm, suitable for families.

Saturday 30th of November, Make a ball float in mid-air with Aidan Fitzmaurice, a STEAM workshop for children.



Saturday 2nd of November, International Uilleann Piping Day

To celebrate Ullian piping day Tallaght library had a recital by Fionntán Byrne followed by an opportunity to learn more about the Uilleann pipes and try them out.

Saturday November the 9th Tallaght library were delighted to welcome back Universal Dream, a multicultural music group who performed music from around the globe.

Tuesday 12th November, 7.00pm- 8.00pm Tallaght Historical Society lecture series:
Mountjoy Helicopter Escape: A talk by Mary Muldowney.

Thursday November 14th 7.00pm – 8.00pm
As part of the neurodiverse South Dublin series of talks Tallaght library will host a talk by Fussy Food Plates
Restricted eating in Neurodiverse children.



Regular events for children

- Toddler time on Wednesday at 10.30.
- Story time on Tuesdays at 3.30pm.
- Baby tummy time on Friday November 22nd.
- Junior book club on Thursday November 21st
- Language explorers with Mother Tongues on 2, 9 and 16 of November 2.30pm.
- Sensory morning Saturday 2nd of November.

Regular events for adults

- Chess club on Wednesdays at 6.00pm.
- Hobby Hub, Wednesdays at 6.00pm.
- English Conversation class, Monday – Thursday 11.30- 1.30pm.
- Delf directed mender space sessions various dates and times throughout the month.
- Movie evening Thursday 28th of November 6.00pm.
- Crafts for adults with Kim Jenkinson Tuesday November 26th 11.00am .
- Ciorcal Comhra, fortnightly, Monday 4th of November and 18th of November 6.30pm.
- English/Spanish language exchange, every Monday 6.30pm.



Coming soon

- Friday 6th of December, music in the library from Christmas Crooners, Silen Disco for children from 2.45 with festive face painting.
- Tallaght Library Christmas Craft Fair , Saturday 7th of December from 11.00am – 3.00pm featuring craft stalls, appearance from V.I.P. special guest from the North Pole, Party Kidz puppet show and music form Mellow Cords.
- A neurodiverse South Dublin talk: To disclose or not to disclose, neurodiversity in the workplace, a talk with Christine Poole Thursday 5th of December.
- Christmas flower arranging workshop 1.30- 3.00pm, Thursday 5th of December.
- Saturday 14th of December, magician Joe Daly will be in the library at 2.00pm
- 17th of December, arts and crafts for adults with Kim Jenkinson making Christmas paper poinsettia decorations.



Castletymon Library

Looking forward to in November

We've a very busy November! First up, we will have two events for Comic Fest on 4th November (Hugh Madden: Exploring Comics using Haiku, for TY) and 9th November (Eva Kelly: Drawing workshop for adults and older teens). Also for teens, we will have author Tanya Farrelly teaching a creative writing workshop (5th) and Create School will be here on the 12th with a workshop on Podcasting.

Our regular classes continue with Beginners Spanish, Spanish Conversation, Computer Classes with the DDLETB, TTRS (Touch-Type-Read-Spell), as new courses, Chair Yoga with Sally Dune (starting 7th) and Baby Sign Language with Claire Dunne (starting 14th) and Colouring and Relaxation for Adults (starting 18th). Our regular groups Toddler and Knitting also continue. As do regular and frequent class visits from many local schools in the area.



Castletymon Library

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Science is a big thing this month with our Season of Science events. We'll have a STEAM Day with Rediscovery Centre on 8th November where they'll be delivering workshops on Climate Heroes and Sustainable Living. As Creatives will be here with all things Regeneration on 11th November with three workshops on Saving Planet Earth! and Regeneration Journeys. The Nutty Scientists will be here on 12th with an event for neurodiverse children, The Ice Age Show. We will also have our monthly STEAM for those with additional needs session, which this month is on making Fake Snow!

Season of Science also has plenty to look forward to for adults with author Richard Nairn talking about restoration and his book Future Wild on 13th, living legend Don Conroy will be here with a talk, Drawn to Nature, on 14th and a Natural Dye Eco-Printing Workshop on 16th.

Our talks for adults this month includes Only a Soldier Knows, where author and soldier Ray Lane will be interviewed about his memoir of the same name by soldier and historian Michael J Whelan on 18th, as well as, on the 27th, a talk with author David Burke who will be here discussing his new book, The Puppet Masters: How MI6 Masterminded Ireland's Deep State Crisis.



Mobile Libraries Highlights

The mobile library service had almost 4,000 visitors to its public stops in September, in addition to 20 school visits and 96 Library @ Home Deliveries.

A new stop at the Ukrainian modular housing at Stonewell, Lucan has been hugely popular, with 120 people signing up for library membership on the first day, and an average of 95 people borrowing books each week since.

During the October mid-term break, the mobile library has attended Hallowe'en camps at Knockmitten Community Centre, and the Park Community Centre, Firhouse, as well as visiting the cadets at Casement Aerodrome, where over 50 signed up for library membership.

