



# Clondalkin Library

ACM Report | February 2025



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Library  
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Statistics

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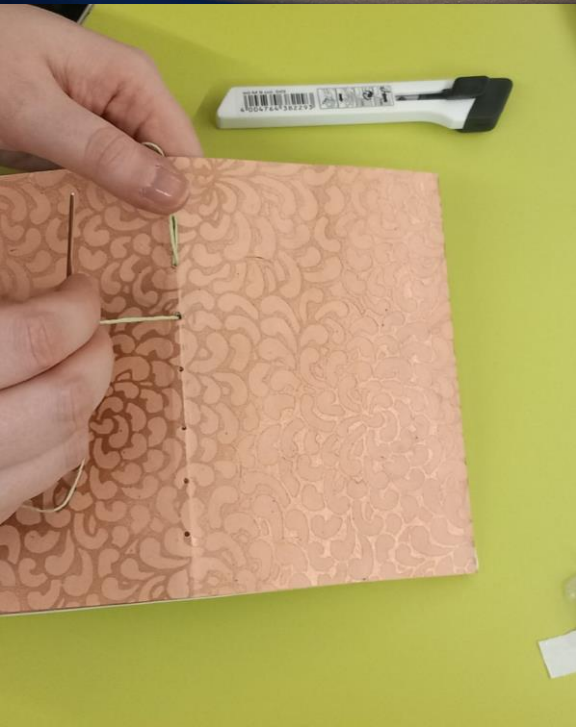
5756 visitors

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4416 items issued

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116 new members



## Firstival at Clondalkin Library

Firstival events took place across all branches of South Dublin Libraries in January. From Basket Weaving to Samba drumming there was something for everyone.

In Clondalkin Library we hosted a **Bookbinding workshop** and a **Tai Chi** taster session

The feedback from both was excellent and as a result we have planned a four week course of Tai Chi in July.





# TRAD Fest

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### IN SOUTH DUBLIN



South Dublin Libraries were delighted to be a part of TradFest 2025

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January we welcomed Eamonn and Seamus from Na Pióbairí Uilleann who played a few songs and taught our attendees how to play the Uilleann pipes.

Later in the afternoon Stephen Fagan and Claire Sherry led a trad session for young musicians. The kids learned how to play bodhrán and some even shared their own skills on the guitar and ukulele.



# Ireland Reads

Ireland reads is a nationwide campaign taking place in February each year. The campaign aims to promote reading for pleasure for both adults and children.

In Clondalkin Library we are promoting Ireland reads in the following ways

- Book Swap event (February 22<sup>nd</sup>)
- Launch of new adult book club (February 25<sup>th</sup>)
- Introduction to Borrowbox session (February 24<sup>th</sup>)



# Early Years programme at Clondalkin Library

- Self-led parent and toddler group twice per week (Tuesday and Friday/ Saturday)
- Musical Tots sessions
- Gymboree sessions
- Navigating Fussy Eating for parents (11<sup>th</sup> Feb)
- Four Week baby sign course (Coming in June)



# Digital Literacy programme



**6 week computers for beginners** classes starting on February 26<sup>th</sup> in collaboration with DDLETB (usually held twice per year)

**1-to-1 smart phone help sessions:** In January library staff facilitated six sessions with members of the public with more scheduled for February.

**ACORN tablets** available to borrow from Clondalkin Library with staff support

# What else is coming up

Sewing  
workshops with  
Change Clothes

6 week Crochet  
Class for Adults  
(starts Feb 5<sup>th</sup>)

Fairtrade Art  
Competition

Seachtain Na  
Gaeilge

International  
Women's Day

History talk  
with Cathy  
Scufill



# Mobile Libraries February Highlights

The Mobile libraries are due to visit 15 schools in February and deliver to 86 Library at home patrons.

There is a slight change to the Fettercairn Community centre stop. We have moved to a location nearby at Kilcarrig Avenue, about three minutes away. It is outside St Anne's National School. Already after one trial stop, there has been more interest. It may just be more convenient for people in that area.

We are visiting Little Penguins ELC in Orlagh shopping centre and a naoinri in Firhouse, Na Guise in February. Our first visit in 2025 to the Liebermann school will be on Valentines Day.

To celebrate the Ireland Reads Day on 22nd February, we are going out to Rathcoole Community centre this year.

"Ireland Reads at Rathcoole" will be a joint collaboration with Community department and we are planning some book related events together as well as bringing our mobile library to the centre between 12noon and 3pm.

