

A photograph of three people at a health fair in a library. On the left, an older man with glasses and a black puffer jacket holds a blue cloth. In the center, a woman with glasses and a black jacket is demonstrating CPR on a mannequin. On the right, a man with a beard and a blue jacket is looking at the mannequin. The background shows library shelves and banners for 'Sanicare Healthy Communities'.

Lucan, Palmerstown, North Clondalkin ACM

Libraries Report | February 2025

January Stats NCL, Lucan, Palmerstown & Mobile Libraries

- NCL had 149 events attended by 989 people, issued 4364 items and registered 111 new borrowers and had 8316 visitors.
- Lucan Library had 42 events, issued 10,720 items and registered 258 new borrowers and had 10,915 visitors.
- Palmerstown Library issued 931 items and registered 50 new borrowers and had 1519 visitors.
- Mobile Libraries issued 8204 items and registered 93 new borrowers and had 6929 visitors.



February at NCL

February was a busy month in North Clondalkin Library. In total over 100 library-organised events took place. Demand for room bookings by individuals and organisations continues to increase.



February at NCL:Engagement with Council Partners

- ***Communiversity Programme:***



Maynooth University
National University
of Ireland Maynooth



ComMUniversity 2025

Interested in doing a **FREE**
University Course in North
Clondalkin library?

Every Wednesday Morning
10am – 12.30
13 Week Programme



Local History

Know Your Place –
looking at history
of Clondalkin



Economics

Where does
Money come from?
Where does it go?



A Social Analysis of Everyday Life

Issues that affect us as
individuals: economy,
politics, history & society.

February at NCL:Engagement with Council Partners

- Let's Play South Dublin Fort
Takeover in the Library:

Saturday 15th February 1-4pm

Bring your own blankets and
pillows to build a fort in the
library.

Family friendly

All welcome

This is a collaboration with Active
Cities as part of an initiative
called Let's Play to encourage
more "play" in South Dublin.





February at NCL:

Ireland Reads 2025: Get Lost in a Good Book

Date: Saturday 22nd February

- Free badge for everyone who takes out a book.
- Badge Making Station: People can also try out the badge maker to make their own
- DEAR: Drop Everything and read 2:00pm – 2:30pm
- Funny social media posts to promote Ireland Reads.
- 2025 A to Z Reading Challenge:
- Challenges customers/staff to read 25 Books in 2025.



February at NCL: Launch of Seachtain na Gaeilge

The South Dublin County Seachtain na Gaeilge programme will be launched in NCL on the 24th February.

Local school children will be entertained as Gaeilge by An Draíodóir Quentin Reynolds.



My Open Library at Lucan Library

My Open Library:

Lucan Library carried out 31 inductions for access to My Open Library in January.

There has been a lot of interest in our My Open Library service during January as the students prepare for the Mock Leaving Cert Exams.



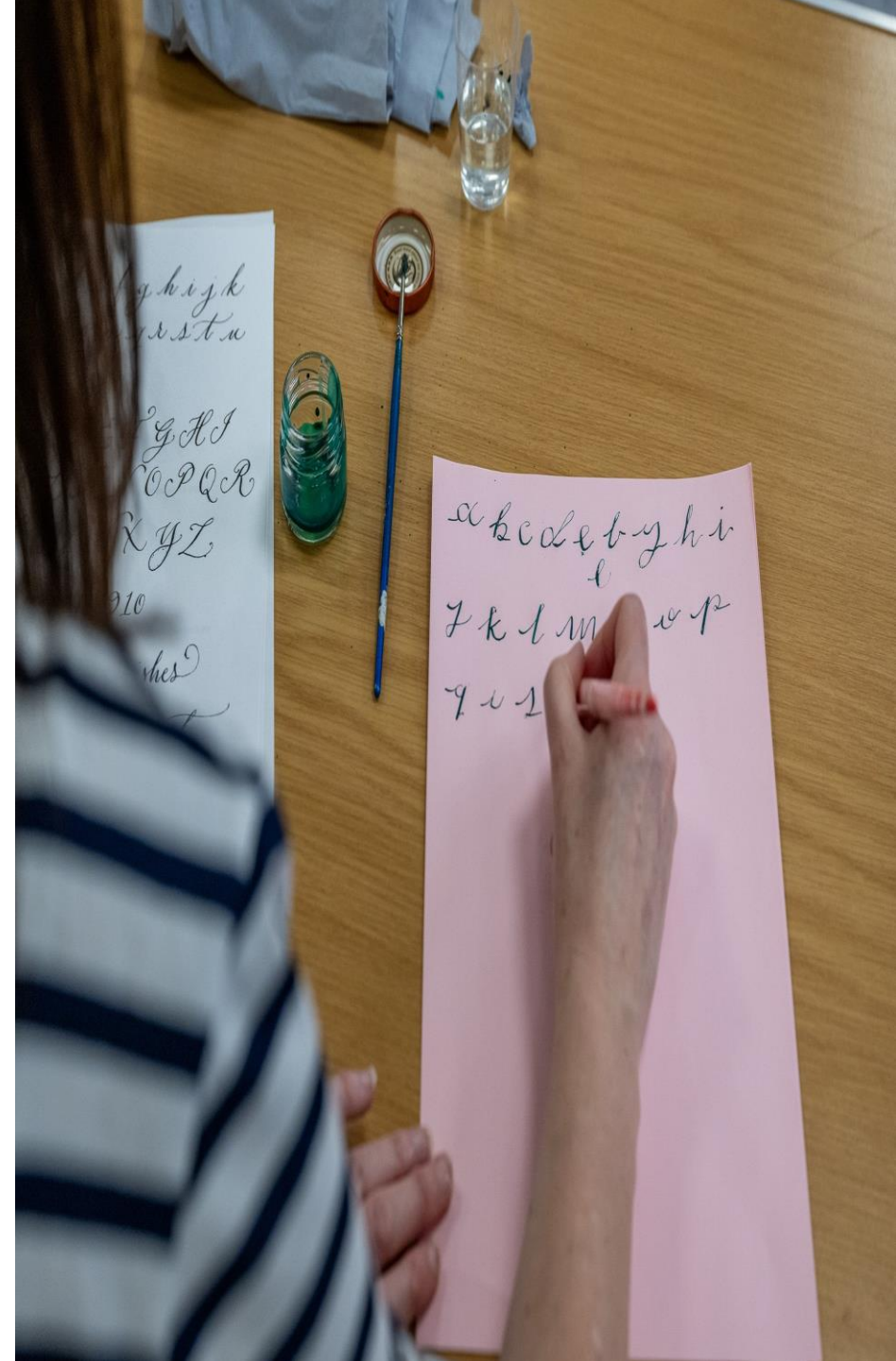
February at Lucan Library

- **Vikings** – Lucan Library is hosting 2 events showcasing the Vikings and their history in Ireland. An interactive history show with Knights for Hire takes place on Wednesday 19th February for a school group and the general public while a talk for adults takes place on Thursday 20th February – Girl Power, examples of powerful Viking women in Ireland from a social, political and legal perspective. Talk delivered by Dublinia.
- **Reset Your Home** – practical tips on how to Declutter and reset your home with organised systems that are easy to maintain. This talk by Hazel Burton from the Home Reset (Thursday 6th Feb at 6.30pm) was hugely popular!



Lucan Library Liaison with External Agencies

- **Lucan Lifestyle for Older People** – a series of 4 information talks organised by the Lucan Community Healthcare Network and held at Lucan Library on Tuesdays in February. Topics include safety in the home, mental well-being, health issues.
- **Lucan House Public Consultation Sessions:** Sinead Geoghegan, senior executive planner, will hold consultation sessions at Lucan Library for the development of Lucan House.



Mid-Term at Lucan Library

With the mid-term coming up in mid-February, we have some activities planned for children. These include **Active Lego** for neuro-diverse children and their families; **Drop in Board Games and Chess**; **Drop in Collectible Card Swop**.



February at Palmerstown Library

Palmerstown Library held approximately 15 events in February 2025 - ranging from information talks to book clubs to craft workshops for adults and children.

- Each Saturday morning we run workshops for kids ranging from Lego Stem workshops to Arts & Crafts.
- Each Thursday we hold class visits with the local primary schools.
- To celebrate St Brigid's Day, we are hosting a Brat Bhríde Workshop for adults with Rita O'Loughlin.
- Ongoing are our book clubs, adult and junior and Family Tree Research Group who meet twice a month.
- We are hosting a information talk with solicitor, Natasha McKenna on 'Making a Will'.
- Weekly storytime @ The Library with our resident storyteller for kids and Saturday morning events for kids are ongoing.



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.

