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# Tallaght, Castletymon and Mobile Libraries ACM Report

JAN 2026



## December Statistics

### December Stats - Tallaght library

Visitors 14,495

Number of events 103

Items issued 5477

New members joined 175

### December Stats Castletymon library

Visitors 4250

Number of events 29

Issued 2580 items

Registered 155 new borrowers 155 new borrowers

### December stats for Mobile libraries

Issued 5441 items,

111 new members joined

12 school visits

80 library @ home visits

104 public stops which had 1853 visitors



# Tallaght library December Highlights

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## Christmas Craft Fair

- 45 + stalls
- 1200 people attended
- Music from Mellow Chords Barbershop Quartet



## Christmas Family Day

- Christmas Silent Disco
- Music with the Christmas Crooners
- Christmas Wreath Making



## Tallaght library Other December Highlights

### Chess With Grandmaster Shrook Wafa

- Two x workshops for teens and adults

### LEGO Heritage Project

- Collaboration with Libraries, Historian-in-Residence Think Big Space & Gaelscoil na Guise

### Jane Austen 250

- Pride and Prejudice Book Club & Craft Event



# Tallaght library January 2026 – Firstival

## Line Dancing

13th Jan at 6.30 pm

## Makerspace Workshop

14th Jan at 6 pm

## Mystery Craft

15th Jan at 6 pm

## Silverworks

16th Jan at 11 am



**Tallaght library**  
**January 2026 – TRAD FEST**

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**Sat 24<sup>th</sup> January at 12 pm**

**- Traditional Music Workshop**

**For Families**

**Sat 24<sup>th</sup> January at 2 pm**

**- Try the Uilleann Pipes**



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## Tallaght Library Highlight: Adult Digital Literacy

### DDLETB Computer Course for Beginners

- Monday mornings at 11 am

### SDC Partnership Course for Own Devices

- Tuesday mornings at 10 am

### Acorns – Age Friendly Tablets

Two-week Course and borrow Acorn for 3 months.

### Digital Coffee Mornings

Drop-in with Library Staff



# Staying Up-To-Date with Tallaght Library

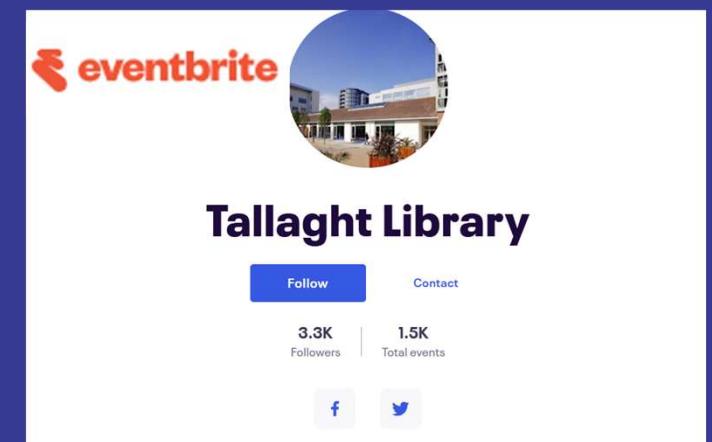
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Tallaght Library



# Looking Ahead to February in Tallaght library

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## D24 Reads Returns for 2026

- Starting End of February

## Crime Writing Workshop – 4-Week Course

- Starting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February
- With author Zoe Miller



# Castletymon Library January 2026 Highlights

## Do Re Mi: Early Years Classes

Brought to us by Music Generation, this six-week programme for ages 0-18 months and 18 months to 4 years begins on 5<sup>th</sup> January.

## Spanish

Our popular Spanish language classes return on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> January with Beginners' Spanish and Spanish *Conversation*, respectively.

## Book Club

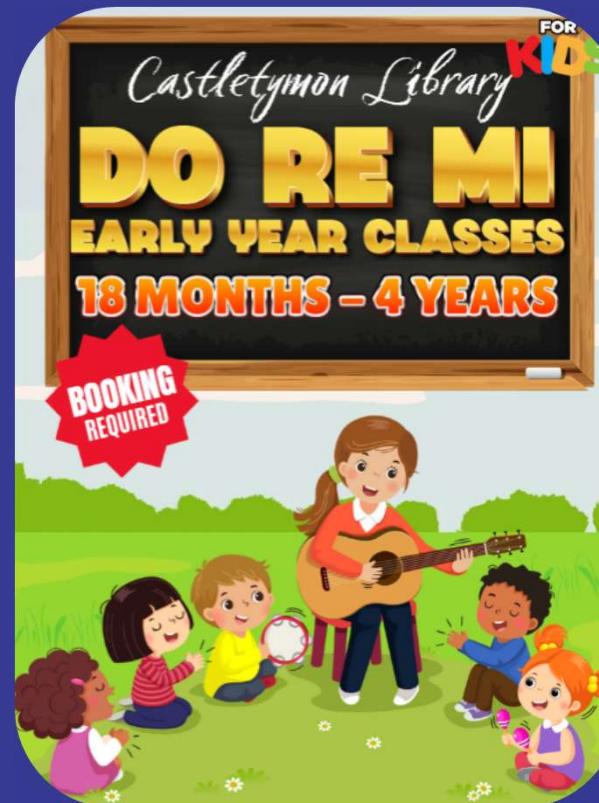
For the first Book Club meeting of the year, on the 12<sup>th</sup>, will be discussing Christy Lefteri's *The Book of Fire*.

## Vision Board Workshop

Start your New Year planning and goals off right with our Vision Board Workshop on 19<sup>th</sup>

## Castletymon Detectives

These sessions, for children twelve and over, will set them with their very own case to solve, and begins with a session on the 24<sup>th</sup>.



# Castletymon Library January 2026 Highlights

## Firstival

For Firstival, we have two exciting events for adults:

- Paint & Prosecco on 13<sup>th</sup>
- Line Dancing on 15<sup>th</sup>

## Tradfest

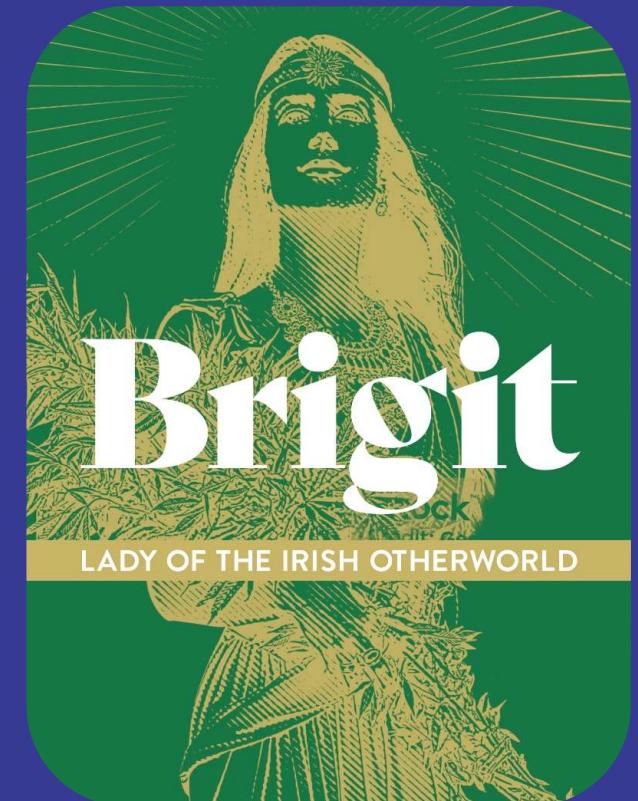
We're delighted to have two events for Tradfest:

- The Tymon Sessions trad music on 14<sup>th</sup>
- A talk, Rathfarnham Castle: The Owners' Stories, by historian Catherine Scuffil on 21<sup>st</sup>

## St Brigid's Day

To celebrate St Brigid's Day, we have two events:

- A craft sessions for children ages 3+ on 26<sup>th</sup> where they can learn how to make their very own St Brigid's Cross
- A talk with author Pauline Breen, on 26<sup>th</sup>, about her new book *Brigit: Lady of the Irish Underworld*.



# Mobile Library Events December

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## Santa Visits the Mobile Library

Santa Claus and his helper visited the Mobile Library at the Parklands Road public stop and the Cúil Dúin public stop on December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17th, bringing joy to our borrowers!



## Mobile Library Events December

### Lucan House Christmas Market

250 people visited the Mobile Library which provided a quiet space, opportunity to join the library and borrowing books at the Lucan House Christmas Market on Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Finnstown House Homeless Service

The Mobile Libraries team visited Finnstown House Homeless Service on December 13<sup>th</sup> , gifting crayon sets and colouring pages and bringing a face painter as entertainment with a total of 57 children and adults attending the Mobile Library.



## Mobile Library Events December

### Mobile Libraries Author Visit with Storyteller Róisín Murphy

Róisín Murphy visited GaelScoil Lír on December 8<sup>th</sup> and did two sessions of storytelling with a blend of English and Irish language with a mix of traditional folktales and legends.



## Mobile Library Events January 2026

Mobiles will be visiting Bloomfield Nursing Home on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Mobile Library will be visiting Happy Days Creche and Giraffe Childcare Preschool.

Mobile Libraries will be visiting 22 schools, having added one new school to their list for 2026.



# SDCC Libraries Overview 2025

Average number of active borrowers per month – **60,669**

## Some key successes:

2025 saw **972,403** visits to libraries, an increase of almost 3% from 2024.

Over **150,000** people attended **8,496** events

Use of online resources (Borrowbox, Irish Newspaper Archive, Pressreader, Kanopy etc) almost doubled in 2025 with **696,349** issues.

## Social Media Reach

Overall social media engagement decreased by **10%** from 2024. However, **link clicks increased by 70%**, indicating a shift towards more purposeful engagement with library services and events.





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