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Clondalkin & Mobile Libraries

ACM Report March 2026

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Statistics

Clondalkin Library

SDCC

February 2025

- Visitors: 6,154
- Issues: 3,623
- New Members: 129
- Events: 60
- Attendees: 836



February Highlights

Stories, Crafts and Sunshine with Úna Woods (19th Feb)

- On a rainy afternoon 14 children read stories and made sunshine collages with author and Illustrator Úna Woods.

1926 Census talk (19th Feb)

- Talk by Dr. Noel Carolan on the upcoming release of the 1926 census was attended by 47 people.

PEEP sessions (26th Feb)

- PEEP sessions in collaboration with Blue Skies returned to Clondalkin Library with 10 new families for a term of 6 weeks.

Ireland Reads Illustration workshop (28th Feb)

-Adults and children worked together to create images based on Lewis Carroll's classic novel Alice's adventures in Wonderland.



Seachtain na Gaeilge

In Clondalkin Library we have the following events as part of Seachtain na Gaeilge

Author Visit: Niamh Donnellan, author of Little Irish Folklore Friends will join us for a special Storytime and crafts session for children age 3-6

Tuesday 3rd March 3.00pm

Irish classes for beginners. Ann Bhandal will teach a 6 week course of Irish for beginners starting on 3rd March 5.00pm

Focail Nár Chóir a Chailliúint / Words We Shouldn't Lose

Wednesday 11th March 6.30pm

A typography and print-based workshop focused on preserving beautiful Irish words and phrases at risk of disappearing. Participants transform language into visual design through calligraphy, printmaking, and handmade book formats.



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Schools programme

Schools Quiz

SDCC Libraries Annual inter-schools quiz takes place in libraries across the county in March with 88 teams representing 44 schools. Heats are taking place in each library followed by a final in County Library, Tallaght on 26th March.

The Clondalkin Library heat will take place on 5th March with 12 teams representing 6 schools.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

As part of our Seachtain Na Gaeilge programme Storyteller Roisin Murphy will host bi-lingual storytelling sessions with two school classes (2nd March)

Engineers' week

Anyone 4 Science will explore bioplastics with 2 school classes this Engineers week. Children will learn to make their own bioplastics from milk (6th March)



New – Craft social evening

In March Clondalkin Library is launching a new craft social evening for adults.

Taking place, the second Thursday of each month at 6.30 people are invited to bring their own craft projects to work on and chat with other crafters over a cup of tea. Everyone and every craft is welcome.



Easter school holidays

We have a full programme of family activities during the school easter holidays including:

Easter Egg decoupage crafts

Easter Storytime + facepainting

April Fools day treasure hunt

Baby and Toddler Sing-a-long

Zine making workshop for teens

Cooking workshop with Cool food school

Pokémon drawing workshop

Waffles the Wonderful magic show



Online resources

In February SDCC Libraries debuted a new online resource

Blinkist

Blinkist provides short, insightful summaries of nonfiction and fiction books, called “Blinks,” which are typically around 15 minutes long. These summaries are designed to quickly convey the key ideas and insights from the book in a made-for-mobile format.

SDCC Libraries also offers the following online resources free to our library members:

Borrowbox, Kanopy, Comics Plus, Transparent Languages, Universal Class, Encyclopaedia Britannica, Vision-Net, Find My Past, British Newspaper Archive, Irish newspaper archive, JSTOR Ireland Collection.



Mobile Library Stats February 2026

The Mobile Library had 111 Public stops in February

Mobile Libraries made 78 Library at Home visits

There were 9 creche deliveries and 40 class sets delivered

6,436 items were issued from the mobile libraries in January

Mobiles added 89 new members



Mobile Library Events February/March 2026

A new stop was added in February at Seven Mills on Wednesdays. Parkleigh Copse, Seven Mills 2.30pm to 3.15pm.

There is a new stop coming in March. It will be Corkagh Grange Avenue in Clondalkin on Monday afternoons at 2.30pm.

3 mobile library vans along with staff from mobiles and SDCC libraries will take part in the Tallaght St Patrick's Day Parade



Mobile Libraries

Ireland Reads Day

Mobile libraries have organised an event for Ireland Reads Day at the Park Community Centre, Saturday 28th of February

There will be a Mobile library at the Park Community Centre from 1pm to 4pm.

Waffles the Wonderful will entertain families from 1pm to 2pm with a magic show .

At 2.30pm author Louise Phillips will meet book clubs from the centre

