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Ballyroan Library February Statistics

Ballyroan hosted 113 events, attended by 1,797 people, issued 14,355 items, registered 573 new borrowers and had 17,282 visitors

April Highlights Across South Dublin Libraries

Spring into Storytime: All branches take part in this national initiative promoting family literacy and reading together.

Easter Activities: All branches will have a packed programme of activities for children over the Easter School Holidays



Ballyroan April Highlights – Families, Children and Teens

Easter Activities

- **Monday 30th March – Easter Crafts with Electra.** For ages 6-8 yrs
- **Tuesday 31st March – Dave’s Jungle.** Always a popular event with his reptiles!
- **Thursday 2nd April– Illustration Workshop with Alan Nolan.** For 8+ years.
- **Wednesday 8th April – Family Play Session.** A No Phone Zone! Just old-school games for children and their parents
- **Thursday 9th April– Do Re Mi with Hannah Lee.** 4-week musical workshop for pre-school children
- **Thursday 9th April – Reuben the Entertainer.** Comedy Variety Show for all the family
- **Regular weekly events continue including Toddler Time, Sensory Explorers, Storytime and Chess as well as fortnightly Coder Dojo.**

Teens

- **Thursday 16th April– Digital Art Workshop for Teens with Olha Yevtieieva**



Ballyroan April Highlights - Adults

- Wednesday 1st April – Golden Moments – Ballyroan Quiz. No April Fools here!

- Wednesday 8th April– Ciorcal Cainte

- Thursday 9th April - Jeffrey Roe returns with a practical, hands on workshop – Soldering.

- Monday 13th April – History Talk: The Root of All Evil: the Irish Boundary Commission with Cormac Moore.

- DDLETB Courses: Begin Wednesday 22nd April for 6 weeks:

- Getting the most from your smartphone
- AI – what it is and how we use it day to day

- Film Screenings:

- Silver Screen: Harold and Maude
- NI Film Screening: Good Vibrations: the story of Terry Hooley who managed the Undertones

- Revisiting the Classics:

- Thursday 30th April to 28th May– An engaging series with Roslyn Hickey, looking at a selection of titles from our dedicated Classics Collection. Includes Animal Farm, Of Mice & Men, Age of Innocence, Wuthering Heights



Maker-in-Residence William Davis and Ballyroan Men's Shed created this wonderful Book Nook which is on display in Ballyroan Library

Castletymon Library April 2026 Highlights

In February Castletymon library issued 3415 items and added 60 new members, they had 5194 visitors and there were 45 events with 210 attendees

Coming up in April

Get Real: The Courage to Be Wrong and the Power to Change

Author Carmel Wynne will teach you how to navigate the world of relationships, their resentments and expectations, on 15th April.

Chess for Adults

Join us for this informal self-led session where you can play chess with other adults. 3rd Monday (20th).

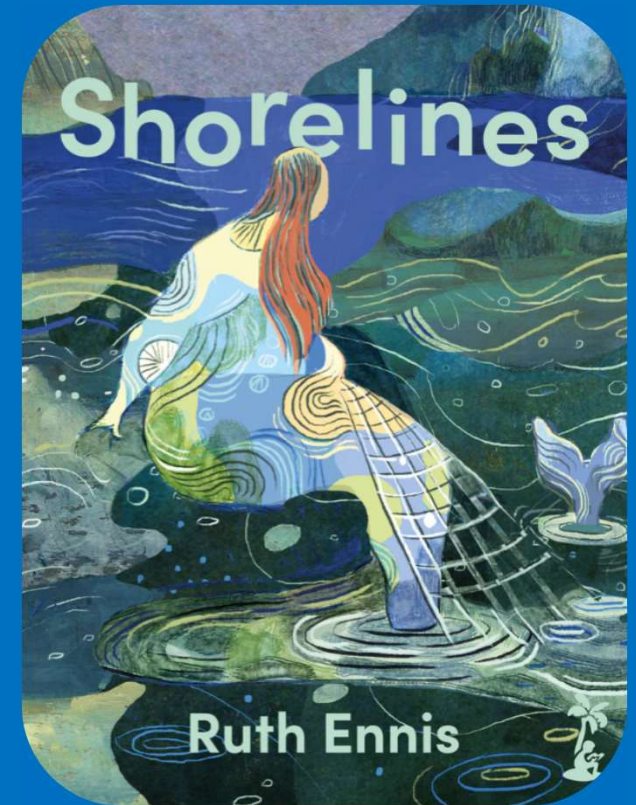
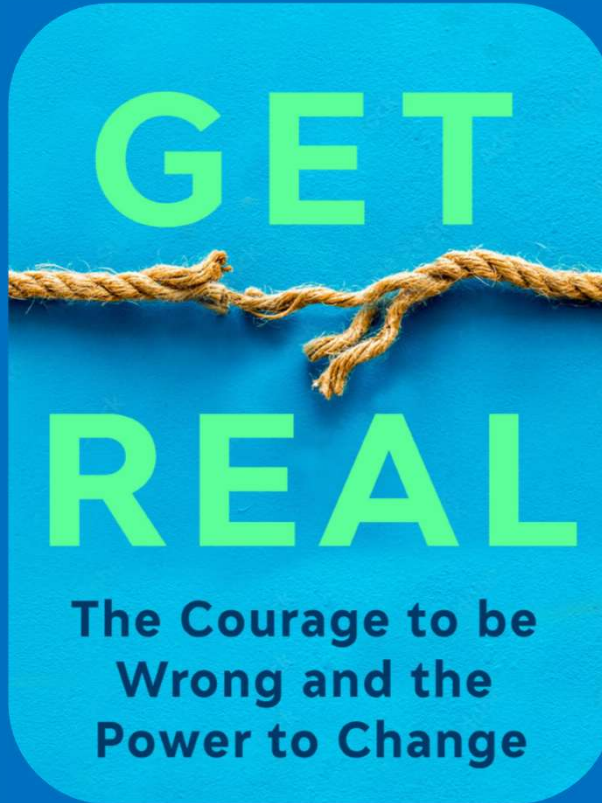
Shorelines: Ruth Ennis

In this special visit for schools, author Ruth Ennis will teach a workshop to TY students on Reimagining Poetry

Easter: Week One

On Wednesday 1st we have a special Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkes at 10.30am and Margaret-Anne Suggs will be teaching little ones how to make Flower Crowns.

On Thursday 2nd, we will have an informal chess session for kids aged 8-12 at 12pm, and a special Easter Crafts workshop – Egg Painting – at 2.30pm.



Castletymon Library April 2026 Highlights

Easter Week Two

On Tuesday 7th, we'll have our second Easter Crafts for children.

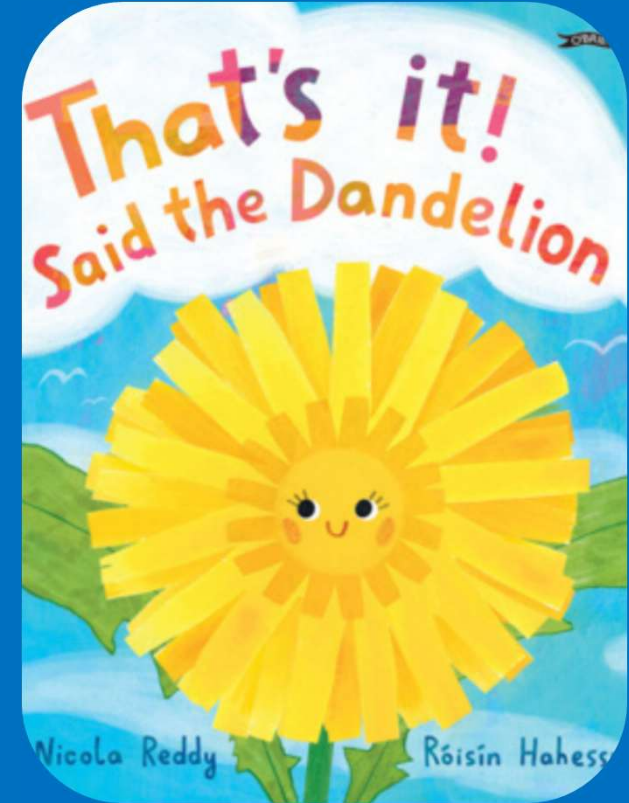
On Wednesday 8th, we have two events, firstly the return of Sarah Sparkles for a second special story time and in the afternoon, a badge-making workshop for children aged 8-12.

On Thursday 9th, Dylan Nolan – Knight for Hire, will be here delivering two live history shows.

Finally, on Friday 10th, we'll be having a Watercolour Workshop for children for ages 8+.

Spring into Storytime

O'Brien Press picture book author, Nicola Reddy, will be here on 18th April reading from her latest book, *That's It, Said The Dandelion*.



Mobile libraries

In February the Mobile Libraries issued 6436 items and added 60 new members

There were 78 library@home visits in February

There were ELC visits in March to Sticky Fingers, Montessori matters and Little Penguin pre schools

The Mobiles called to special needs classes in St Anne's Fettercairn and Stewarts Special school and visits coming up to St Mochua's Special school and Liebermann Spritan special school in April.

There were trips to Bloomfield Healthcare centre and Finnstown House Homeless service . St Michael's house in Templeogue had their usual monthly visit in March and are scheduled again for April



Mobile libraries

World Book Day

Mobile libraries were out and about in schools and pre schools for world book day (Thursday 5th of March)

The week got off to a start with a World Book day visit to all the First-Year students at Griffeen Community College

Sorcha from Mobiles went out Stewart's Special School on the morning to read stories to children and to help celebrate the day

Elaine visited Montessori Matters in Lucan and also junior infant classes in Kilnamanagh G.N.S for a special story time



Mobile Libraries

3D workshop at Priory Youthreach on 13th March

3 mobile library vans took part in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Tallaght also with South Dublin libraries staff and dinosaurs

The mobiles will be visiting an Easter camp in The Park Community Centre, Cluan Ri centre Easter Egg hunt and Respond centre in Clonburris

They will also be at the Community Day at Balgaddy Community Centre on 11th April





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