Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas South Dublin County Council

# FACIS ABOUT HALLOWEEN

Did you know that 'Halloween' as we know it originates from the ancient Celtic 'Samhain' festival? In Celtic Ireland about 2000 years ago, Samhain was the division of the year between the lighter half (summer) and the darker half (winter). At Samhain the division between this world and the otherworld was at its thinnest, allowing spirits to pass through. It was believed that various supernatural beings and the dead could visit the living, and the living could visit the otherworld. An raibh a fhios agat go bhfuil fréamhacha na féile 'Halloween' le fáil sa tseanfhéile Cheilteach 'Samhain'? 2000 bliain ó shin in Éirinn, is amhlaidh gurbh í Samhain an deighilt idir an dá chuid den bhliain – an chuid gheal (an samhradh) agus an chuid dhorcha (an geimhreadh). Le linn na Samhna bhí an deighilt seo idir an domhan seo agus an domhan eile an-tanaí agus bhí cead siúil ag spioraid idir an dá dhomhan. Creideadh go bhféadfadh neacha neamhshaolta agus osnádúrtha cuairt a thabhairt ar an mbeo, agus go bhféadfadh an beo cuairt a thabhairt ar an domhan eile.

## Avoid building or attending bonfire

- Bonfires are bad for our environment burnt earth on our open spaces takes approximately 18 months to recover.
- Do not leave material in places where it may be accessible and targeted for a bonfire.
- Do not give waste to unpermitted collectors.
- Do not buy, use or supply fireworks.
- Keep pets indoors around Halloween night they are sensitive to noise.

#### **Bulbs not Bonfires**

is a reward provided through South Dublin County Council's Social Credit Scheme. This initiative provides communities with flowers in the Spring instead of scarred open space throughout the year. Last year we spent €4,200 on bulbs for this popular scheme and similar will be spent again this year. For more information please contact the office at envawareness@sdublincoco.ie

- Every year Dublin Fire, Ambulance and Rescue Service answer hundreds of calls over the Halloween period.
- Respect the Emergency Services, Council Staff and An Garda Síochána who are already busy fighting fires and saving lives. Bonfires are an unnecessary and avoidable extra burden on them.
- Remember, Halloween can be a dangerous night. Children should be reminded of road safety and take extra care crossing roads, especially in poorly lit areas and in bad weather conditions. Young children should be accompanied by an adult and high visibility armbands / vests should be worn.



#### A Free Pass to Ballymount Civic Amenity Centre

will be provided to every Social Credit applicant / group. One pass allows entry for one car and will be valid from Monday 17 October until Friday 11 November 2022. Last year a total of 137 passes were provided.

In 2021 the Council spent in the region of €155,000 on clean-up operations associated with the 180 bonfires which took place. Just think what this kind of money could provide for YOUR community.

## Spooky Halloween Stuff for Kids to Doll

Community Services will be actively assisting a number of small local Community based Halloween Celebrations, organised by Community Centres / Groups across the County, a full list of these events can be obtained by contacting the Community Development Team and will be advertised on the Council's website and social media in the coming weeks. Visit **www.sdcc.ie**.



### **Music** Presents:

Live in Tallaght Stadium

### Monday 31 October from 7pm until 10pm

Free concert for young people aged 14 – 18 years old in Tallaght Stadium featuring **Jafaris**, **Sello**, and the **NOISE Music Collective**.

For information on ticket booking please visit http://www.noisedublin.ie/

### HALLOWEEN @ South Dublin Libraries

### **BALLYROAN LIBRARY**

### 😓 Scary Story Time

### Tuesday 1 November at 3:30pm

Come along for some spooky, but not too spooky, stories! Suitable for 3 to 6 year olds and their grown-ups.

All welcome!

### Spooky South Dublin

### Tuesday 1 November at 6:30pm

The legends surrounding the Hell Fire Club are probably South Dublin's most famous chilling tales, but there are plenty of other local ghoulish stories – come along to hear all about it from local historian Tony Duffy. *No booking required – adult only event.* 

### Sircus 250 Family Show

### Wednesday 2 November at 10:00am

You have to listen to Juanita's Talk – because it's time we cleaned up our act! Juanita's Talk is an hour-long interactive environmental show for the whole family by Ireland's leading female clown Angelica Santander. An important, urgent, and utterly hilarious show full of hope for our future.

All welcome!

### 🎃 Reptile Show

## Wednesday 2 November 2.30pm and 3.30 pm

Dave's Jungle is a totally interactive reptile show. Suitable for ages 6 years and over. Meet some of the world's most amazing animals, learn fascinating facts, come face-to-face with crocodiles, tarantulas, scorpions and lots of other large lizards and creatures.

Booking:

www.ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

### Music Generation event Music for Tots

### Thursday 3 November at 10.30am

A fun music class for babies! Musical creativity and expression are nurtured through singing, musical games, listening and performing!

Booking: www.ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

### **CLONDALKIN LIBRARY**

Spooky interactive story time with Simone Schemmelfeder at the Round Tower Visitor Centre

### Wednesday 19 October

Class booking: 10-11am Class booking: 11.30-12.30 Open booking for families: 3.30-4.30pm

Join storyteller Simone Schuemmelfeder for an interactive storytelling experience at the Clondalkin Round Tower. Old tales of magic and mischief will come alive on the historic site where the storyteller will weave her tales, encompassing the sounds, smells and sights of the gardens around her. Come to not only listen, but to feel, smell, see and explore the magic of storytelling. Trained as not only a storyteller, but also an experiential outdoor educator and facilitator of adventure camps, Simone will combine sensory nature education activities with her stories to create a wholesome, vivid experience for children and adults alike.

Bookings from Monday 10 October at http://clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.com

### Halloween arts and crafts with Lisa and Emma Wednesday 19 October 3.30pm Age 4-6 years old.

Booking open from 10 October through clondalkinlibrary@eventbrite.ie

### Online Halloween Arts and Crafts for Adults with Kim Jenkinson

### Thursday 20 October at 11.00am

Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this Autumn themed workshop where we will be creating mini-Autumn wreaths using a mix of natural materials, wire, ribbon and felt pieces.

Booking from Monday 10 October http://clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.com

### Spooky Halloween Heritage Trail for children- self led

### Saturday 22 October 10am -1.30pm

Collect your haunted trail map from the library. Visit each location and work out the cryptic clues to reveal the password. Then return to Clondalkin Library to collect your Halloween craft pack. Maps can be collected from the library from 10am- 1.30 pm.

All Welcome!

## Halloween Movie

### Saturday 22 October at 2.30pm

Join us for our Halloween Movie: Monsters Inc. (rated G)

All Welcome!

### Ghouls and ghost walk with Monica (for families)

### Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 October at 4pm

Tours are 45 minutes long.

Follow Monica on a tour around Clondalkin Village where she will regale stories of ghouls and ghosts past.

Booking open from 10 October through clondalkinlibrary@eventbrite.ie

### Halloween Scary Storytime by Candlelight

## Wednesday 26 October from 6.30pm - 8pm

Join us for some Halloween crafts followed by Halloween stories by candlelight.

### For ages 7 years old and over.

Booking open from 10 October through clondalkinlibrary@eventbrite.ie

### Pumpkin Carving Competition

Collect your pumpkin from the library Thursday 20 October, carve your pumpkin into anything you want, return it to the library and enter it into our competition. Your pumpkin will be displayed in our junior library and voted on my members of the public.

Prize winners will be contacted Thursday 27 October.

Booking open from 10 October through clondalkinlibrary@eventbrite.ie

### TALLAGHT LIBRARY

### Design your trick or treat bags

#### Monday 24 October at 3.30pm For Ages 10- 12 years.

Design your trick or treat bags in this workshop, mouse skills needed, Bags provided.

Booking essential on www.talib.eventbrite.ie

## Art and craft workshop for Adults

### Tuesday 25 October at 11.00am

Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this Art and craft workshop to create Halloween theme decorative pieces using a mix of felt and natural materials.

Booking essential through eventbrite at www.talib.eventbrite.ie

### Scary Story time with arts and crafts

### Tuesday 25 October at 3.30pm

Scary Story time with arts and crafts.

*For ages 3- 6 years.* No booking needed, all welcome.

### Pumpkin decorating with Esther

### Wednesday 26 October at 3.30pm

Decorate and paint your own pumpkin to bring home. Pumpkins provided.

### For ages 8 years and over.

Booking essential through eventbrite at www.talib.eventbrite.ie



### Wednesday 26 October at 6.00pm

Call in between 6.00pm and 7.00pm to follow the clues around the library and pick up a surprise at the end of the trail. Don't forget to dress up.

For ages 6 years and over. No need to book.

### 😓 Slimy Science

Thursday 27 October at 4.00pm Slimy science experiments

### For ages 6 to 8 years.

Booking essential on eventbrite at www.talib.eventbrite.ie

## Halloween cupcake decorating with Izabella

### Friday 28 October at 3pm

### For ages 5 to 9 years.

Booking essential at www.talib.eventbrite.ie

### **CASTLETYMON LIBRARY**



### Wednesday 26 October at 3.30pm. *Age 3 years and over.*

Join us for a fun Halloween storytime and crafts session. Make sure to dress up in your best Halloween costume.

Booking essential: www.castletymonlibrary.eventbrite.ie

### 🕹 Halloween dress up

### Thursday 27 October from 2.30pm – 4pm

Suitable for younger children and their parents. Dress up in your favourite costume and come to the library for some Halloween fun!

No booking necessary.

## Teddy Bear's Hospital with Dr. Jen

### Monday 14 November at 3.30pm. Age 3 years and over.

Bring in your sick teddies and join Dr. Jen at the Teddy Bear Hospital.

Booking essential: www.castletymonlibrary.eventbrite.ie



### LUCAN LIBRARY

### Wednesday 26 October at 3pm

Spooky Storytime for the under 6 year olds. All welcome at Lucan Library to join in this special Halloween storytime.

### Thursday 27 October 3.30pm - 4:30pm

Halloween-themed Arts and Crafts

**For ages 9 – 11 years.** Booking essential via

www.lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

### Wednesday 2 November, 12noon – 1pm

Creative Writing with Maeve Devoy MAD4Tales: How to Make a Monster. Every good story has a villain and this workshop helps children create theirs.

### For 8 to 12 year olds.

Booking essential via www.lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

#### Wednesday 2 November, 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Juanita's Talk - It's time to clean up our act! An hour-long interactive environmental show for the whole family by Ireland's leading female clown Angelica Santander.

Using projections, music, dance and clowning, plastic pollution is tackled in a provocative, entertaining, and ridiculous way. An important, urgent, and utterly hilarious show full of hope for our future. Juanita's Talk is followed by a led discussion on positive solutions to plastic pollution.

Booking essential via www.lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

### Thursday 3 November, 10.30am – 11.30am

Dave's Jungle 'Reptile Show' see Seamus the Snake, Phyllis the Iguana and Keith the chameleon, along with an alligator snapping Turtle. Booking essential via www.lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

### NORTH CLONDALKIN LIBRARY

### Halloween Colouring Competition

Open from 19 October - 7 November For children aged 12 years and under.



Saturday 22 October at 1.30pm For children aged 3 years and older. No need to book, all welcome.

### Scary Irish Spooks and Monsters - Drawing workshop with Alan Nolan

### Tuesday 1 November at 1.00pm Suitable for children aged between 7 and 12 years.

Booking from 25 October via www.northclondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

### All abilities Arts and Crafts Friday 4 November at 2.00pm

A fun and engaging arts and crafts session Suitable for children with additional needs, all abilities welcome.

Booking from 28 October by phone (01 414 9269) or at the library desk

Mid Term Movie Club Saturday 5 November at 1.30pm. Suitable for the whole family. No need to book, all welcome.



## Electrical Recycling Collections for Halloween 2022

**Recycle IT**, in association with South Dublin County Council and in partnership with **WEEE Ireland** will be offering free electrical recycling opportunities to households in South Dublin prior to and during Halloween 2022.

This year our teams are pleased to be able to collect items from outdoor areas including gardens or drives. All items should be easily accessible and ready for collection. We ask recyclers to remain mindful of social distancing and hand hygiene when recycling. Households can also drop off appliances free in the weeks leading up to Halloween. Recycle IT will accept all types of electrical, electronic, and battery-operated equipment including old heaters, electronic toys, TV's washing machines, cookers, kettles, phones, and computers.

If your residents group wish to arrange a collection in September, October or at another time during the year you can call **01 457 8321** or email **info@recycleit.ie**.

As part of South Dublin County Council's Mattress Amnesty 2022, our social enterprise partners RecycleIT will be accepting used mattress, free of charge, up to Saturday 8th October at Recycle IT, Unit 14/2 Crag Terrace, Clondalkin Industrial Estate, Clondalkin Dublin D22 TK37. Just call 01 4578321 for details.

Recycle IT is a Not for Profit, Social Enterprise based in Clondalkin. Visit **www.recycleit.ie** to learn more.

