

Clondalkin Library

January 2024 Event Guide





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Adult Events

Lé Fhéile Bríde - Create Your Own Brat Bhríde (for Adults)

Thursday 24th January

6.00-8.00pm

The Brat Bhríde (St Brigid's Cloak) is an Irish tradition of decorating scarfs which bring blessings and protection to the wearer. Find out more about this wonderful tradition which is being



revived by Rita O'Loughlin. Rita will demonstrate how to make a Brat Bríde and you will also have the chance to make your own. Please bring one of your own scarfs which you will decorate yourself.

Booking opens from 5th January through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie



(5 Week Course) Starts Monday 19th February 1.00 –2.30pm

If you want to improve your photography skills either using a digital camera or a smart phone then join us for this 5 week introductory course.

To register your interest contact 01 459 3315 or email Clondalkin@sdublincoco.ie





Open to all primary school classes in Clondalkin (one entry per class)

Closing date for entries: 26th January

Junior category: Jnr infants—2nd Class

Senior Category: 3rd—6th Class

This year we're inviting primary school classes in Clondlakin to work together and submit a whole class piece on the theme of *AWomen who inspires*.

The winning classes will receive some amazing prizes for their classroom.

For more information email Clondalkin@sdublincoco.ie



Children's Events

Junior Graphic Novel Book Club

Starts Wednesday 31st January

5.30-6.30pm

Continues the last Wednesday of each month

Join Maria for our new Junior book club exploring the amazing world of graphic novels. If you're an avid reader or you've never read a graphic novel before—from Bunny Vs Monkey to Percy Jackson, there'll be something for everyone!

Suitable for kids age 9-12



To book contact the library by phone 01-459 3315 or email clondlakin@sdublincoco.ie

Book Clubs



Monday Book Club

Next meeting: Monday 8th January 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Discussing Small Things Like These by Claire Keegan

New Members Welcome

To register your interest please email clondalkin@sdublincoco.ie or ask at the main desk.

Happy Readers Book Club

Thursday Book Club: 25th January 6.30pm-7.30pm

No capacity for new members at this time

Did you know? South Dublin Libraries offers books on loan to books clubs operating in any South Dublin Library or the South Dublin Council area. If you run a book club or are thinking about starting one and would like more information you can email

clondalkin@sdublincoco.ie

Adult Events

Genealogy and Family History Group

Thurs 18th January 6.30pm

Informal genealogy and family history group which meets monthly.



All Welcome.



The Village Writers

Creative Writing Group

Tuesday 2nd January

6.30pm - 7.30pm

A new self-led writing group meeting monthly on the first Tuesday of every month from 6.30pm - 7.30pm.

New members welcome.

To register your interest, please contact a member of staff at the library desk or call us on (01) 4593315

Children's Events



Self-Led Baby & Toddler Group

Join us for our self-led baby and toddler group. We'll provide the space and toys, you provide the playtime!

10.00am - 11.30am

Tuesday 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd January
Friday 12th & 26th January
Saturday 6th & 20th January

All Welcome - No Booking Required

Lego and Duplo Free Play

Saturday 13th January

12.30pm - 2.00pm

Ages 4+



Booking from 2nd January through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Children's Events



Storytime for ages 3+

Every Tuesday 3.30pm

Come along and join in our weekly storytime session

All Welcome. No Booking Required

Free Bedtime book for all children aged 0-4

Every child deserves the gift of bedtime stories.

As part of our Books at Bedtime initiative, all children aged 4 and under in Ireland can collect a free book to start their own reading journey. A simple visit to



any South Dublin Libraries library branch will ensure you and your little one can create memories to last a lifetime.

Children's Events

Quiet Time @ Your Library - Thursdays 4.30pm - 6.30pm



Join us for a quiet evening every Thursday when we reduce noise and turn down the lights creating a more welcoming environment.

Sensory boxes are available to use in our teepees!

All Welcome

TTRS: Touch-Type, Read and Spell with confidence

TTRS is a multi-sensory course for children that teaches

typing, reading & spelling.

We have 12 spaces available:

Mon: 5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces

Tues:5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces

Wed: 4.00pm-5.00pm 4 spaces



Spotlight On

Assistive Toy lending collection



This new and updated toy collection caters for neurodiverse children, teens and adults and those with more significant needs.

Each library branch stocks basic developmental items. More specialised toys are stocked in our 3 larger libraries, Tallaght, Ballyroan and North Clondalkin Library (covering areas such as language, communication, fine motor, gross motor, play & life etc). These may be requested from any library branch.

To avail of the collection you will need to apply for a special library card. Two items can be borrowed at a time and may be renewed only once.

For more info or to request a catalogue email clondalkin@sdublincoco.ie or speak to a member of staff in the library.

This specialised collection has been funded through the Community Recognition Fund.

Spotlight On



Moshi

Moshi is an award winning app that helps keeps children engaged throughout the day, supports wellbeing and calmness and assists in developing better sleeping behaviour and patterns.

It features games, puzzles, activities, colouring, white noise, music and more!

To use it, download it from the apple app store or the google play store and create an account.

You will need to login every 30 days to keep your account active. This is free to use from our South Dublin Library link and you will never be asked to pay if you use our link.

You can find our link by visiting sdcc.ie and searching for ekids

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database of digital books in World Languages, that allows kids to enjoy the magic of books in LOTE (Languages Other Than English).

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