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BALLYROAN LIBRARY

APRIL 2026

EVENT GUIDE



CHILDREN AND FAMILY

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
Every Monday*, 3.30pm	Storytime: A fun, interactive storytime for little ones! Adult supervision required.	3 - 6 years	No booking required
Every Monday*, 6pm	Sensory time: Dimmed lights, reduced noise, and additional resources (sensory toys, magic table) are available on request.	All	No booking required
Every Saturday*, 10am	Junior Chess with Fred: A weekly class for children.	7 - 12 years	No booking required but spaces limited
Mon, 30 Mar, 2pm	Easter Crafts: Using mixed media we will create an Easter scene complete with bunnies! This can be an Easter card or just a fun design!	6-10 years	Booking required via Eventbrite from 23rd Mar, 10am
Tues, 31 Mar, 2pm & 3pm	Dave's Jungle: Join Dave and his reptilian pals for an interactive session where you will learn about how animals hunt, use their senses and catch their prey.	Strictly age 5+	Booking required via Eventbrite from 24th Mar, 10am
Thur, 2nd Apr, 2.30pm	Illustration workshop with Alan Nolan: Join Alan as he talks about the inspiration behind his new book and learn how to draw a fictional movie star and a comic strip stunt scene!	8+ years	Booking required via Eventbrite from 24 th March, 10am
Starting Thur, 9th Apr see age for times	Do, Re, Mi with Hannah Lee A fun 4-week musical workshop with Hannah Lee. Musical creativity and expression are nurtured through singing, musical games, movement, listening and performing.	0-18 mths 10:30 - 11:00 18 mths - 4 years 11:15 - 11:45	Booking required via Eventbrite from 26th Mar, 10am



*closed for the Easter weekend Friday, 3rd April to Monday, 6th April inclusive.

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Wed, 8 th Apr, 2pm	Family Play Session: The Portrait Challenge. Join this fun family event. Family members sit opposite each other & attempt to paint a portrait of the person across from them. Laughter is much more important than skill! All materials provided.	Family	Booking required via Eventbrite from 2 nd April, 10am
Thurs, 9 th Apr, 2.30pm	Reuben's Comedy Show! Reuben will have everyone in stitches with his magic, puppets, funny toys, daft voices and bendy body! It's fully interactive and fun for even the adults!	Families Suitable for all ages	All welcome
Mon, 13th Apr, 4.30pm	Sensory Explorers: A fun, relaxed play session for neurodiverse children and their siblings.	6+ years, adult supervision required	Booking required via Eventbrite from 6th Apr, 10a.
Tues, 14th, 21st, and 28th Apr, 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones.	0 - 3 years	Booking required via Eventbrite, the Monday preceding each session , 10am
Wed, 15th & 29th Apr, 6pm	Coder Dojo: Join us for a fun session of coding in the library.	8-12 years	Booking required via Eventbrite, the Monday preceding each session , 10am
Sat, 18th Apr, 2pm	Relaxed Movie Screening: Everyone deserves the magic of movies in a comfortable setting. Join us to watch <i>Kiki's Delivery Service</i> (PG) in a setting which is suitable for children with additional needs and their families.	All	Booking required via Eventbrite from 5th Apr, 10am



TEENS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
<p>Thur, 16th Apr, 4:30pm</p>	<p>Digital Workshop for Teens: Whether you're an aspiring concept artist or a future animator, this masterclass provides the technical foundation you need to succeed in the digital age. All skill levels are welcome, from "I've never touched a stylus" to "I draw every day."</p>	<p>13-17 years</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite from 1st Apr, 10am</p>
<p>Tue, 21st Apr, 5pm</p>	<p>Teen Creative Writing Workshop with YA author Claire Hennessy</p>	<p>13-17 years</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite from 10 Apr, 10am</p>

ADULTS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
<p>Mondays* 11am ----- Thursdays 6.30pm</p>	<p>Stitched Together : Come along for our informal, friendly and very crafty meet-up. All crafts welcome – crochet, knitting, sewing, embroidery etc. No need to book.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>No booking required</p>
<p>Every Wednesday 11am</p>	<p>Scrabble: Get ready for a triple word score! Drop in to our weekly club and enjoy a game of scrabble. No need to book. Adults only.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>No booking required</p>

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Wed, 1st Apr, 2pm	Golden Moments - Quiz. No April Fools here!	Adults	All Welcome
Wed, 8th Apr, 11am	Ciorcal Cainte: Join us for an informal Irish language conversation group where all levels of Irish are catered for! #bantrialas	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite, from 1st Apr, 10am
Thurs, 9th Apr, 6pm	Soldering with Jeffrey Roe: This workshop is designed for those who are new to the world of soldering and want to learn the basics. Whether you're a DIY enthusiast, a maker, or simply curious about soldering, this workshop is perfect for you.	Adults	Booking via Eventbrite from 2nd April, 10am
Mon, 13th Apr, 6.30pm	The Root of All Evil: The Irish Boundary Commission. Historian Cormac Moore explores the fascinating and infuriating story behind the momentous failure of the Boundary Commission Report, which would abandon swathes of Northern nationalists close to the border and have long-lasting, catastrophic consequences for the entirety of the island of Ireland.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite, from 30th Mar 10am 
Thurs, 16 th April 6.30pm	The Reading Circle:- Poetry Reading: Join us for discussion of Irish and world poetry in translation.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite, from 5th Apr, 10am

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<p>Mon, 20th Apr, 1.30pm</p>	<p>History Hub: Taking Sides: Britain & the Civil War. Michael Portillo returns with an authored documentary that uses British state papers to shed fresh light on key events and personalities during the Civil War period in Ireland</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite, from Tues, 7th Apr, 10am</p>
<p>Mon 20th Apr 5.30pm</p>	<p>Silver Screens at the Library: Harold and Maude. This film follows Harold, an apathetic yet morbidly fascinated young man who spends his time attending funerals. This is where he meets Maude, a 79 year old with all the joie de vivre that Harold lacks.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required, via Eventbrite from 13th Apr, 10am</p>
<p>Mon, 20th Apr, 6.30pm</p>	<p>An Club Ghealach-Make a Cupán in the Makerspace: Make your own cup – as Gaeilge! Choose an Irish language phrase and take home a new cupán with that phrase.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite, from 13 April, 10am</p>
<p>Starts Wed, 22nd April, 10am</p>	<p>Get the Most from Your Smartphone: a 6 week course with Jane Gill, DDLETB</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required, please phone the library</p>
<p>Starts Wed, 22nd April, 12.15pm</p>	<p>Artificial Intelligence (AI) - What is AI and how do we use it day-to-day. A 6 week course with Jane Gill, DDLETB. How does AI impact on me? How to spot AI images & videos? Using AI to help with daily tasks. AI & the environment.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite from 7 April, 10am</p>

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TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
Tue, 21st April 6.30pm	Rathfarnham & Ballyroan Historical Society Lecture: The Hellfire Club & Montpelier Hill: Join local historian Nicholas Ryan to hear the story of The Hell Fire Club atop Montpelier Hill.	Adults	Booking required, via Eventbrite from 7th Apr, 10am
Wed, 22 nd April, 6.30pm	Music with the Ballyroan Men's Shed. Join us for a lively session of music and song	Adults	All Welcome!
Mon, 27 th April, 6.30pm	French Scrabble: Come along to practice your French spelling with the new French Scrabble Group. French Scrabble Board provided.	Adults	All Welcome!
Mon, 27 th Apr, 5.30pm	Film: Good Vibrations. The inspiring true story of Terri Hooley, a key figure in Belfast's punk rock scene in the 1970s	Adults	All Welcome:
Tues, 28 th April, from 6pm	Book Swap for Adults. Bring a book to swap or just take a book if you like the look of it!	Adults	All Welcome
Thurs, 30 th Apr, 7pm	Classics Book Club. Enjoy authors like Jane Austen, John Steinbeck, Mark Twain and more in this informal and welcoming group. Books provided.	Adults	All Welcome!



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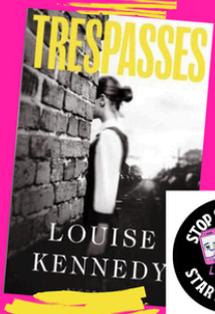
APRIL BOOK OF THE MONTH

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WE'RE ENCOURAGING ADULTS TO PUT AWAY THEIR PHONE & RETURN TO READING

AUTHOR VISITS, WORKSHOPS & EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

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HOURS

MON - THUR 9.45AM - 8PM

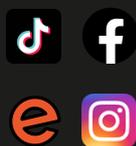
FRI & SAT 9.45AM - 4.30PM

The library will **close** for Easter Weekend on **Thursday, 2nd April 2026 at 8pm and reopen on Tuesday 7th April at 9.45am.**

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