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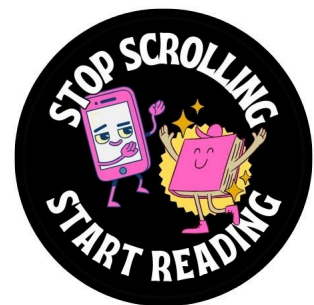
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BALLYROAN LIBRARY

MAY 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 Tuesday, 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones.	0 - 3 years	Booking required via Eventbrite, the Monday preceding each session , 10am
Every Saturday*, 10am	Junior Chess with Fred: A weekly chess class for children.	7 - 12 years	No booking required but spaces limited
Wed, 6th May 4.30pm	Sensory Explorers: A fun, relaxed play session for neurodiverse children and their siblings.	6+ years, adult supervision required	Booking required Eventbrite from Wed 29th April, 10am
Sat, 9 th May 2pm / 2.20pm / 2.50pm	Family Event: CO2 in the Climate Change: Discover the science behind climate change at Climate Change Week with fun, hands-on experiments for all ages	Families	Booking required via Eventbrite from Fri 1 st May, 10am. Please book one session only
Fri, 15th May 10am	Magic Baby Tummy Time: Join other parents to give baby some tummy time practice using our Magic Table light projector and toys.	Babies not yet crawling	Booking required vis Eventbrite from Fri 8 th May, 10am



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Sat, 16 th May 2pm	Relaxed Film Screening - Finding Nemo: Join us to watch Finding Nemo in a setting which is suitable for children with additional needs and their families.	Suitable for 5+	Booking required via Eventbrite from Tues 5 th May, 11am
Wed, 20 th May 3.30pm	3D Modelling & Printing Workshop: Learn the basics of designing for 3D printing while transforming everyday items into custom-made organisers	10-12 years	Booking required via Eventbrite from Wed 13 th May, 10am
Wed, 27 th May 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

TEENS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
Sat, 9 th May 11.30am	Teen Manga Club: Meet up with teens who share your passion for Manga, Anime, K Pop and other fandom groups. Discuss your shared interests and get recommendations.	12-17 years	Booking required via Eventbrite from Thurs 30 th April, 10am
Tues, 19 th May 5pm	Teen Creative Writing Workshop with YA author Claire Hennessy. This month we focus on creative writing for wellbeing and self-expression, particularly for anyone stressed over exams at this time of year. Will include some fun, rant-y exercises!	13-17 years	Booking required via Eventbrite from Tues 5 th May, 10am

ADULTS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
Mondays* 11am ----- Thursdays* 6.30pm	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.	Adults	No booking required
Every Wednesday 11am	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.	Adults	No booking required
Fri, 1st May 10am	Ballyroan Gardening Group: Enthusiastic about gardening? Come and share your passion with our gardening group.	Adults	No booking required
Starts Wed 6th May 10.30am	6-Week Adult Art Course with Siobhán Buckley: Over six relaxed and inspiring weeks, you'll be gently guided through a variety of techniques –helping you build your skills, explore your style, and most of all, enjoy the creative process.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from Tues 28th April, 10am
Mon, 11th May 1.30pm	History Hub: Join us to watch Íospartaigh na Lochlannach The Slave trade during the Viking era stretched over Europe & in to the Middle East. Through the eyes of two Irish captives, Findan and Melkorka we see the lives these slaves endured.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from Mon 27 th April, 10am

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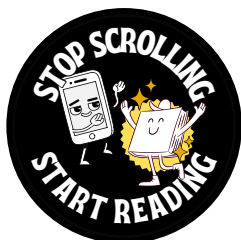
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<p>Mon, 11th May 5.30pm</p>	<p>Film Screening at the Library - Bicycle Thieves: Deemed one of the most influential films in cinema history, this 1948 Italian classic follows a poverty stricken father and son as they desperately search post war Rome for a stolen bicycle.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite from Mon 4th May, 10am</p>
<p>Mon 11th May & 25th May 6.30pm</p>	<p>French Scrabble: Come along to practice your French spelling with the new French Scrabble Group.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>All Welcome!</p>
<p>Wed, 13th May 2pm</p>	<p>Golden Moments - Bingo! Always a good laugh.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>All Welcome!</p>
<p>Starts Thurs, 14th May 6pm-8pm</p>	<p>Study of 4 Wonderful Literary Classics (5-week course): Join Roslyn Hickey as she examines Of Mice and Men / Animal Farm / Wuthering Heights / Age of Innocence. An enjoyable & engaging study of these classic titles.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite, from Wed 29th April, 10am</p> 
<p>Fri, 15th May 11am</p>	<p>Digital Art for Adults with Olla: Hands-on practice with a graphics tablet, supplied for the workshop. Suitable for beginners.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking required via Eventbrite from Tues 5th May, 10am</p>
<p>Mon, 18th May 6.30pm</p>	<p>60 Years of Seamus Heaney Join Dr Rosie Lavan (TCD) to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the publication of “Death of a Naturalist”, Seamus Heaney’s first major work. Pick up your copy of the book at the desk throughout May.</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>Booking via Eventbrite from Tues 5th May, 10am</p> 

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Tue, 19th May, 11am	Ciorcal Cainte: Join us for an informal Irish language conversation group where all levels of Irish are catered for! #baintrialas PLEASE NOTE change of day from Wed to Tue this month	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from Fri 1st May, 10am
Tue, 19th May 6.30pm	Rathfarnham & Ballyroan Historical Society Lecture - The Sweetness of Lemons: Join Dr Cormac Moore for a talk on the history of Lemon's Pure Sweets.	Adults	Booking required, via Eventbrite from Tues 5th May, 10am
Wed, 20 th May 6.30pm	As Béal a Chéile - Irish Language Choir: Join local Irish-language choir for a wonderful night of Irish songs.	Adults	All Welcome!
Wed, 20th May 6pm- 7.30pm	Power Up: Reduce the risk of Sarcopenia. All participants will be assessed on the day for power using the Sit to Stand Assessment tool Practical exercise regimes will be provided, and all participants will get an opportunity to practise them under supervision.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite or contact the library, from Wed 6th May, 10am
Wed, 20 th May 6pm	3D Modelling & Digital Fabrication: Design and 3D print custom toolbox inserts and organisers, alongside using the laser cutter to shape EVA foam mats to fit neatly inside storage boxes.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from Wed 13th May, 10am



Stop Scrolling Start Reading! Look out for our Book of the Month & related events

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Thurs, 21 st May 1.30pm	Gardening for Biodiversity with Aoife Munn: Discover how to create a garden that supports wildlife, is easy to maintain and looks great all year round.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from 8th May, 10am
Thurs, 21 st May 7pm	Reading Circle - discussion of Irish and World Poetry	Adults	Booking via Eventbrite from Thurs 7 th May, 10am
Sat, 23 rd May 12noon - 4pm	Amateur Radio & Connected Tech - Making the Invisible Visible: South Dublin Radio Club will showcase how wireless technology connects people, devices and space. Explore live spectrum displays, satellite signal demonstrations digital modes and Morse, simple IoT workflows. Demos throughout the day.	All welcome (families & adults)	No booking required
Mon, 25 th May 6pm	Let's Misbehave! Celebrating the 1920s in our Bealtaine Finale Event. Dress up and learn a 1920s themed dance, followed by a live music performance. Best dressed wins a prize! Refreshments served.	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from 11 th May, 10am
Tues, 26 th May 6pm	Design a Tote Bag with Pippa & Lisa - a Maker Space workshop for adults	Adults	Booking required via Eventbrite from 12th May, 10am
Tues 12 th May	Natural Skincare Demo with Barbara McAteer. Barbara will guide you back to the beauty of simple, plant-based care away from harmful synthetic chemicals in regular products	Adults	Booking via Eventbrite from Friday 1 st May 10am



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Book Ballyroan Library events here:

Eventbrite

ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie



LIBRARY ONLINE RESOURCES

Even when the library is closed, we're open!

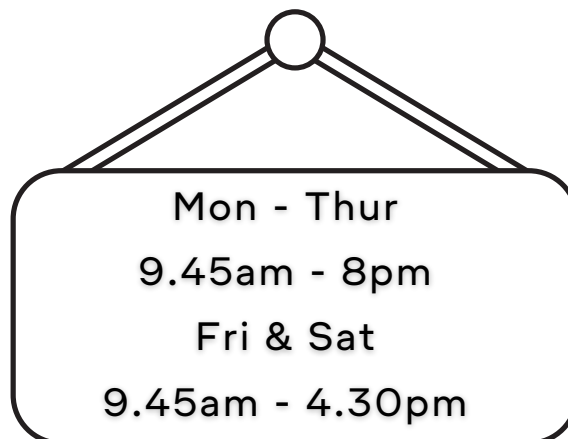


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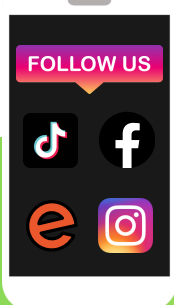
To find out more about this and all our resources online and in the library, visit: www.sdcc.ie/libraries



Closed on Saturday 2nd and Monday 4th May for the Bank Holiday. Re-opening on **Tuesday 5th May @ 9.45am.**

Closed on Thursday 7th May for staff training. Re-opening on **Friday 8th May @ 9.45am.**

Closed on Saturday 30th May and Monday 1st June for the Bank Holiday. Re-opening on **Tuesday 2nd June @ 9.45am.**



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