



Library Opening Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9.45am—8.00pm

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Clondalkin Library

**November 2023
Event Guide**

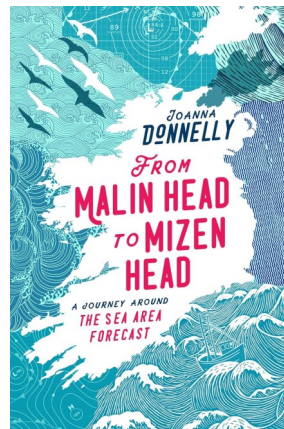
All events can be booked at
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Adult Events

From Malin Head to Mizen Head with Joanna Donnelly

Thursday 23rd November

6:30pm - 7:30pm



The Sea Area Forecast is broadcast daily on RTÉ radio at 6am and midnight. Foretelling fair days or fierce storms coming in across our seas, it has become a national institution – its hypnotic, rhythmic language as reassuring as the Angelus. Acting as a gentle morning wake-up call and a soothing bedtime lullaby, it transports us to faraway places and describes weather patterns we can't comprehend. From Mizen Head to Malin, Valentia to Loop Head, and Carlingford Lough to Hook Head – rising or falling slowly, backing south-east to north-east or veering south-to-south-west – it has a unique language all of its own, but what does it all mean?

Here, meteorologist Joanna Donnelly takes readers on a journey around Ireland's Sea Area Forecast, visiting the places that are a familiar part of the daily broadcast and explaining its unique history, language and science.

Joanna Donnelly is a meteorologist and weather forecaster at Met Éireann and RTÉ. She is passionate about explaining the science behind the weather in language that is accessible for everyone. She previously wrote *The Great Irish Weather Book*. Joanna is married to fellow meteorologist Harm Luijkx and they live in Portmarnock with their three children.

Booking opens from 6th November through
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Children's Events

Season of Science- AI Workshop

Saturday 18th November

Session 1: 11.00am - 12.30pm

Session 2: 2.00pm - 3.30pm

A Fun Introduction to AI & Machine Learning for Children

Machine learning is changing our world in a big way, and although we hear about it daily in the news, most of us are not sure exactly what it is. Things we don't understand can seem scary. Will robots take over the world? And if so, can you control the robots to do what you want? In this Inventors Club workshop students learn how Machine Learning differs from traditional computing. We will teach our computers to differentiate between students and judge our dance moves. We end by playing with applications that use Machine Learning and a computer judged singsong.

Age: 9-13 years

Booking through Eventbrite from 1st November

(Please book one session only)

This event is supported by Science Foundation Ireland



Children's Events

Mid Term STEAM sessions

Engenio Inventor for ages 8-12

Wednesday 1st November

2.00—3.30pm

Join Clondalkin Library staff in creating exciting battery-operated models in a fun-filled engineering event for young learners looking to take their next steps in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math).

Booking Essential through clondakinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Magformers for ages 4-7

Thursday 2nd November

2.00—3.00pm

Join Clondalkin Library staff in creating super-easy 2D & 3D geometric structures in a fun-filled engineering event for young learners looking to take their first steps in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math).

Booking Essential through clondakinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Lego and Duplo Free Play

Saturday 11th November

12.30pm - 2.00pm

Ages 4+



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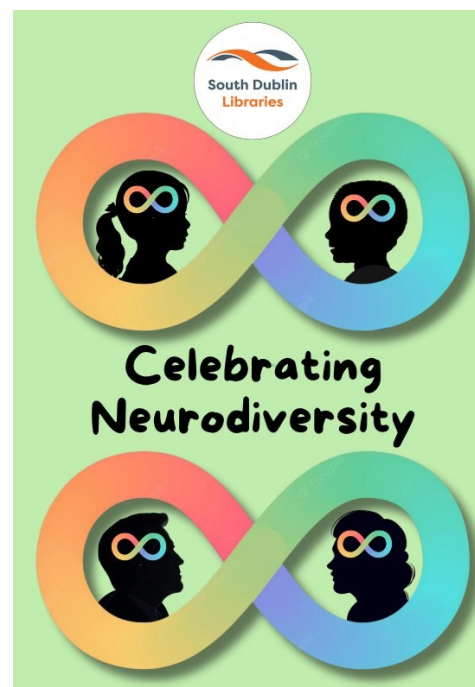
Adult Events

Autism and Understanding A Talk by Zarah Doyle from AsIAm

Wednesday 15th November

6.30 pm

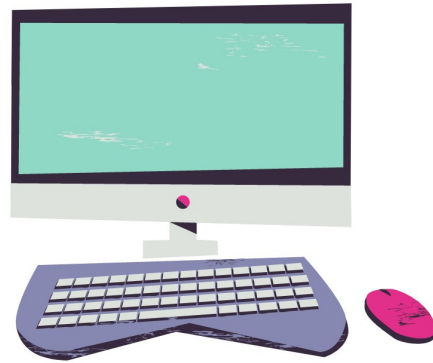
All welcome, no need to book



This talk will cover:

- What is Autism, and what is it not?
- What is it like to be Autistic?
- Communication, social and sensory differences.
- Building inclusive communities.
- Q&A

Adult Events



Basic Computer Skills

Starting soon!



This course is for adults who want to learn basic computer skills and understand technology in everyday life

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Monastery Road, D22.

Ask at the main desk for more information



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Children's Events

Gymboree with Agata

Friday 3rd November 10.00am - 11.00am

Play and music for babies and toddlers

All welcome, no need to book



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 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th November
Saturday 11th & 25th and Friday 17th**

All Welcome—No Booking Required

Quiet 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!



Comics Fest



Create Your Own Character for Comics with Ashwin Chacko

**Monday 6th November at
6.30pm**

For ages 12+

A comic cannot come to life without its characters. One of the big challenges every new comic artist is faced with, is their ability to develop and consistently redraw their characters. In this workshop we will learn to use simple shapes to develop and maintain a consistent character.

Booking through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Manga Portrait workshop with Shota Kotake
Saturday 4th November
2.30pm

For kids age 8-12



Artist Shota Kotake will teach you how to draw a Manga style portrait. Each child will be given example sheets of Manga style portraits and face parts to reference then, sitting face-to-face, they'll make Manga portraits of each other with help and guidance from Shota.

Booking through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Adult Events

Genealogy and Family History Group

Thursday 16th November
6.30pm-7.30pm



Informal genealogy and family history group which meets monthly.

All Welcome



The Village Writers
Creative Writing Group
Tuesday 7th November
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 are welcome.

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

Adult Events

Grow It Yourself

Next Meeting Thursday 9th November

6.30pm-7.30pm

Join our monthly group of GIYers and develop the skills and confidence to grow your own fruit and vegetables successfully!



New Adult Book Club

continues **Monday 13th November 6.30pm-7.30pm.**

New Members Welcome

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

New!

Adult Book Club

Thursday Book Club: meeting **30th November**
6.30pm-7.30pm

No capacity for new members at this time

Children's Events



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 now have

access to 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.

STORYTIME for Ages 3+

**Tuesday 7th, 14th, 21st,
and 28th November**
3.30pm

Come along and join in our weekly story time session

All Welcome
No Booking Required



Spotlight On

Online Learning - Universal Class



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Connect with a real instructor. You will need a valid library card and email address to register to use **Universal Class**.

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TTRS: Touch-Type, Read and Spell with confidence for children

This is a multi-sensory course for children that teaches typing, reading & spelling.

We have 12 spaces available:

Mondays: 5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces
Tuesdays: 5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces
Wednesdays: 4.00pm-5.00pm 4 spaces

Please phone or speak to a member of staff to book your place.

Adult Events

Shared Reading

Tuesday 21st November 6.30pm—7.30pm

A friendly trained leader provides a welcome and the text of something chosen to read aloud - a poem, a story or piece of literature. The leader then will initiate a discussion of what has just been read. There's no need for you to read aloud or speak unless you want to - it's okay to just listen. Shared Reading offers a welcoming space for individuals to form real connections with the literature, themselves and others.

Booking opens from 6th November through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie



Adult Craft Class

Friday 24th November

11.00am-12.30pm

Join Joan for a morning of Christmas crafts. All materials will be provided.

Booking opens from 6th November through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

