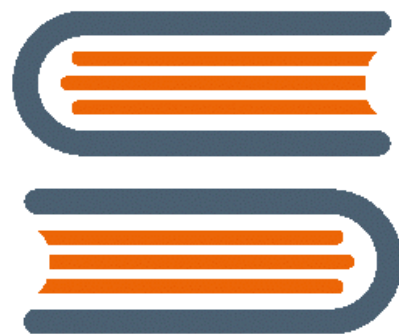




Tallaght Library

Event Guide
August 2024



Children and Parents

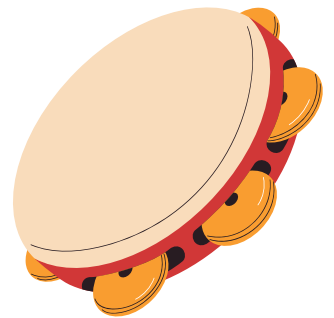
Musical Tots with Karen

Join Karen Donnellan from Musical Tots for a fun and lively musical workshop that your little one will love! Children learn tunes and rhymes before they learn to speak. Singing is invaluable for the development of children from a very young age. The focus of these 45-minute classes is learning through song, developing confidence and self-esteem through interaction, and motor skills through action and songs.

All welcome. No booking required.

No booking required.

**Wednesday August 14th
10.30am**



Teddy Bear Sleepover

Bring your favourite teddy bear (and an empty pillowcase) to the library for bedtime stories and crafts, then leave your teddy bear to sleep over with their friends. You can collect your teddy the next day.

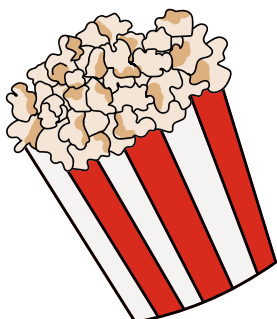
Booking Essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10.00am on August 7.

**Wednesday August
14th, 6.30pm - 7.30pm**



Midweek Movie for Children

**Wednesday August
7th, 3.00pm**



Join us for a screening of a children's movie in the Library!

For ages 7+

No booking required.

Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkles

**Wednesday August 28th
10.30am**



Toddler time with Sarah Sparkles! Giving babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers an interactive and exciting introduction to libraries. Parents and guardians must accompany their children for the duration of this event.

No booking required.

Sensory Morning

At our sensory morning you'll find a sensory wall, Cubbie, magic table, LEGO and colouring. Ear defenders and sensory boxes available on request.

No booking required.

**Saturday 17th August
10am - 12pm**



Storytime with Arts & Crafts



Tallaght Library is delighted to invite you to a weekly story time session, followed by arts and crafts.

**Every Tuesday
3.30 to 4.30pm**

Suitable for ages 3+.

No booking required.

Children and Parents

Baby and Toddler Sing-along with Rachel Drew



**Wednesday August 7th
10.30am**

Join us for this Sing-Along session for babies and toddlers with singer, musician and music educator Rachel Drew. It's on the first Wednesday of the month until June.

All welcome! No booking required.

Puppet Show with Part Kidz Productions



**Thursday August
8th, 2.15 - 3.00pm &
3.30 - 4.15pm**

Don't miss this live action puppet show from Party Kidz Productions with professional actors and incredible life-size and life-like puppets.

You will have two opportunities to catch this amazing show at 2.15pm and again at 3.30pm.

All welcome. No booking required.

Summer Smoothies with the Cool Food School

**Saturday August 17th,
11.00am - 12.00pm**



It's a battle of the smoothies with Deirdre from the multi-award winning The Cool Food School! Join us for a fun, summer smoothie workshop for kids and see which smoothie wins out! Deirdre is a food educator, children's cookbook author, blogger and more. Her goal is to make food fun for kids.

Booking essential.

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on August 10.

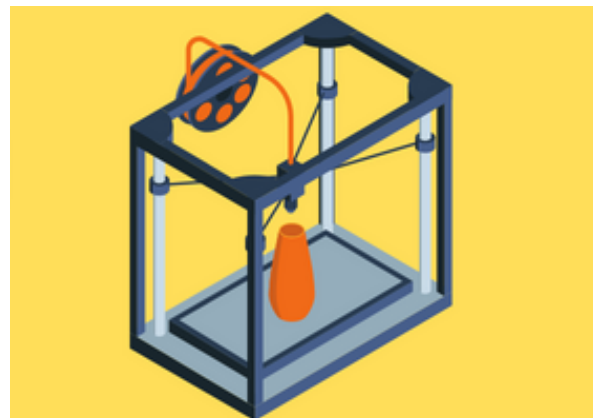
3D Printing Workshop with Library Staff

Learn how to design your own bookmark using 3D modelling software with the help of Tallaght Library staff. We will then print out your design and you can collect it from Tallaght Library when it's ready.

**Tuesday August
20th, 3.00pm**

For 10 to 14 year olds (reasonable mouse skills required).

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on August 13.



National Heritage Week Event

Viking Dagger Making Workshops



**Saturday August
24th - 11am, 12pm,
1pm, 2pm, 3pm**

To mark National Heritage Week we are holding our very first History Fair with lots of heritage themed events in the library on the day including this Viking Dagger Making workshop with the Irish School of Archaeology. Children will learn about the ancient craft of Bladesmithing and the art of sword design including the role a blacksmith played in society. To complement this exciting workshop, the friendly staff of the Irish School of Archaeology will discuss the ancient technology of leatherwork. Children will make a leather scabbard for their Viking Seax and be helped in adding their own personal touch by inscribing their name on the blade using the Runic alphabet.

For ages 7 to 12.

Booking essential. There will be five workshops available to book on the day from 11am to 3pm. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10.00am on August 17.

Fighting Words Creative Workshops for 12 years plus

**Monday August 12th,
2.00pm - 4.00pm**



Fighting Words are running a creative workshop for children aged 12+ on August 12. This workshop is open to young writers and artists who would like a space to explore their own ideas and storytelling! We will work together as a group to write a story before inviting the writers and artists to take some time to delve into their own creativity. The workshop will be about tapping into our imaginations, with the help and listening ears of Fighting Words volunteer mentors.

Booking essential.

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10.00am on August 5.

Toddler Time Gymboree with Susan



**Wednesday August
21st, 10.30am**

Join us for Gymboree with Susan. Taking place in our Junior Library and suitable for babies and toddlers up to 2 years.

All welcome! No booking required.

Introduction to Coding with the BBC Micro:bit



**Wednesday August 14th
3.00pm to 4.00pm**

Learn some basic coding at this fun workshop with library staff using the BBC Micro:bit. The Micro:bit is an educational micro controller created by the BBC in conjunction with Microsoft, ARM, and Samsung. It can be easily programmed and has a host of exciting features that will be explored.

Ages 10 to 14 years.

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10.00am on August 7th

Lego Challenge with Library Staff

Join us for another of our monthly Lego Challenges. In this hour-long workshop your child will hone their building skills and unleash their creativity as they set about completing a Lego challenge set by library staff.

**Monday August 26th,
3.30pm**

For ages 7+

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on August 19.



Young Adults

Noise Music Songwriting, Beat Making and Performance



**Thursdays, 11.00am
to 1.00pm**

Noise Music are looking for young people in the Tallaght area who are interested in songwriting, beat making and performing live.

The sessions run every Thursday in August from 11am to 1pm.

Ages 14 to 18 years.

Booking advisable. You can sign up here: www.linktr.ee/NOISEMusicSouthDublin

Comhairle makes NOISE

**Thursday August
22nd**



Comhairle na nÓg are young people's councils in the 31 local authorities in the country, which give children and young people from 12 to 17 years of age an opportunity to have their voices heard on the services, policies and decisions that affect them in their local area. Each year the Comhairle pick a topic to work on, this year it is Mental Health and Youth Spaces. As part of their workplan, the Comhairle is hosting the second Comhairle Makes NOISE event in conjunction with NOISE Music and taking place in Rua Red and Tallaght Library. This year the event has been expanded to include arts and wellbeing activities in addition to music, and is designed to highlight the importance of young people seeing each other in real life and having fun for maintaining good mental health post Covid.

Events in Tallaght Library include DJ sets and workshops from NOISE Music participants, a pool tournament organised by Foróige and live music performed by young musicians at the piano.

Keep an eye on our [Facebook page](#) for a full schedule of all the festival events and details on how to book.

Events for Adults

Riciotti Dutch Ensemble



**Saturday August 10th,
2.00pm - 3.00pm**

This summer, Ireland is the travel destination of the Ricciotti, a 38 musician ensemble from the Netherlands. During Ricciotti's Shamrock Shuffle the orchestra will explore Ireland's famous music culture: from the world's best-selling pop artists Enya and U2 to folk music by The Dubliners and The Pogues. We are delighted to be one of the stops on their Irish tour. An afternoon not to be missed.

All welcome. No booking required.

Chess Club

**Wednesdays,
6.00pm - 7.00pm**



Sign up for our adult chess club in Tallaght Library. Running every Wednesday evening from 6-7pm, Chess Club is the perfect place for players to come together and hone their chess skills. Suitable for all levels of experience, but participants must be over 18 years of age.

To book a place please contact Tallaght Library on talib@sducubincoco.ie or enquire at the Library desk!

Self Directed MenderSpace Sessions

Various Dates and Times from August 1st - 30th



Self Directed Sessions
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Book into a self-directed MenderSpace session in Tallaght Library and tackle your latest sewing or mending project!

What can I expect from my self-directed MenderSpace booking?

- These are 1 hr sessions where you can avail of the MenderSpace facilities to tackle your latest sewing and mending projects.
- The MenderSpace equipment consists of two sewing machines and sewing resources including reference books, a zip-repair kit, a leather punch, and various haberdashery.
- As these are self-directed sessions, there is NO facilitator present .
- Sewing machine users must be comfortable using the machines independently.
- You must be 18 years old + to use the MenderSpace.

Start your sewing adventures by booking on Eventbrite below.

Please note use of MenderSpace is self-directed. Sewing machine users must be comfortable using the machines independently.

Booking Essential.

Check the available slots and book at talib.eventbrite.ie

Adult Events

Hobby Hub



Hobby Hub

Wednesday's from 6.00pm

**Wednesdays from
6.00pm**

This drop-in Arts & Crafts group meet every Wednesday evening in the library. Bring whatever you are working on (sewing, knitting, crochet etc.), have a chat and swap ideas.

No booking required.

English Conversation Classes

If you're a non-native English speaker looking to practice or improve your English then drop into these free English conversation sessions in Tallaght Library from Monday to Thursday every week. The sessions are overseen by trained TOEFL instructors. No need to book a place. Feel free to drop in or out at any time during the session.

**Mon - Thurs
11.30am to
1.30pm**

No booking required.



Movie Evenings at Tallaght Library

**Thursday August
29th, 6.00pm**



Tallaght Library is delighted to invite you to our monthly movie evening. This month we'll be screening **The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**, a charming sequel to the ensemble hit *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* featuring an even more stacked cast. Refreshments will be provided.

The screening begins at 6pm. No booking required.

Adult Events

National Heritage Week Event History Fair



Saturday August 24th

We're excited to announce a very important date for your diaries!

On Saturday, 24 August, Tallaght Library will be hosting its very first History Fair as part of Heritage Week.

There will be history talks, one-to-one genealogy clinics, children's workshops (see family events above), exhibitions, documentaries & more. Speakers include historians and authors Liz Gillis, Cathy Scuffil and Albert Perris.

More details to follow. Watch This Space.

Crafts for Adults with Kim Jenkinson



Join Kim Jenkinson for relaxing art workshop. This month's craft will be will be announced closer to the date.

**Tuesday August
27th, 11.00am**

**Booking essential. You can
book your place at
talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am
on August 20th**

D24 Reads! Reading Challenge



If you are looking to make more time for reading in 2024, the D24 Adult's Reading Challenge might be just the ticket. This fresh initiative was launched in Tallaght Library on Ireland Reads Day on February 24.

The aim is to read 24 books in 2024 and track your reading by collecting stamps on your loyalty bookmark. When you reach 6 books, 12 books, 18 books and 24 books, you will receive a prize. It's open to everyone 15 years +. Just ask at the library desk to register.

So, whether you're into timeless classics, thrilling mysteries, or intriguing non-fiction, D24 Reads is your passport to a year filled with the joy of reading. Join us and make 2024 your most bookish yet.

D24 Reads: Speed Dating with a Book

D24 Reads Meet-Up



Book Speed Dating

**Thursday 15th
August, 6.30pm**

Tallaght Library's second evening of Speed Dating with Books is taking place on **Thursday, 15 August at 6.30pm**, part of the D24 Reads campaign.

It's a fun, relaxing meet-up. You will spend five minutes with each book (reading the first few pages), when the bell goes, you move on to the next book. At the end, you choose the book you connected with the most.

Deirdre was at the first session and really enjoyed it: "It was great to meet people from other book clubs and listen to their enthusiasm for reading. I got interesting book recommendations to add to my reading list. The speed dating with a book was great fun and I liked hearing the varied responses to the books we read. A great chat, met lovely people and the time went so quickly!"

Booking advisable. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie

Exhibitions

Shweta Jain: Acrylic Paint Exhibition

**On Display from Monday August 5th to Monday
August 26th**



We have a beautiful new exhibition coming to the Back Wall Gallery this month from fabulous local artist Shweta Jain. Shweta has a beautiful selection of large acrylic paintings to exhibit. You can view the exhibition from Tuesday August 6 until Monday August 26.

That's it for this month we'll be back next month for more news and events.

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Library Opening Times

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