

Event Guide January 2026

Children and Parents

Storytime with Arts & Crafts

Every Tuesday 3.30 to 4.30pm



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

All Welcome, No Booking Required.

Sensory Explorers



Monday January 19th, 3pm

Join play therapist, Rebecca McDermot, for a messy play session for children with additional needs to explore, using our fine and gross motor skills. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

One child per ticket.

Booking essential. You can book your place here from 10am on January 12th.

Baby & Toddler Sing-along with Rachel Drew

Wednesday January 7th & 21st, 10.30am



Join us for these Sing-Along session for babies and toddlers with singer, musician and music educator Rachel Drew. Rachel will be giving two sessions this month, on November 5th and 19th.

All welcome! No booking required.

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Gymboree with Agatha

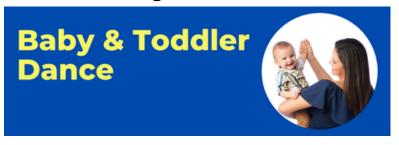
Wednesday January 14th, 10.30am



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

All welcome! No booking required.

Baby and Toddler Dance with Emma



Wednesday January 28th, 10.30am

Join Emma from Emarley Music for a special baby and toddler dance class.

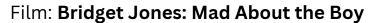
Parents are encouraged to dance too!

Please note that baby carriers/slings are recommended for babies who are not yet walking.

Suitable for 0-18 months. All welcome. No booking required

Parent & Baby Cinema

Thursday January 15th, 10.30am





- Noisy babies welcome
- Breastfeeding parents welcome
- Playmat for crawling babies
- Parking for buggies
- Low lighting
- Light refreshments

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10 am on January 1st.

Sensory Morning

Saturday January 31st, 10am - 12pm



At our sensory morning you'll find a sensory wall, Cubbie, magic table, LEGO and colouring.

Ear defenders and sensory boxes available on request.

All welcome. No booking required.

Baby Tummy Time



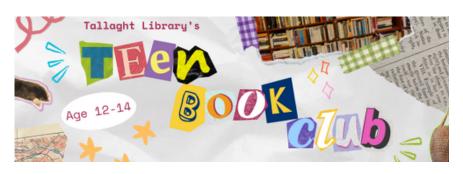
Friday January 9th, 10.30am & 11.30am

Tummy Time at Tallaght Library is for babies who haven't started to crawl yet, to help strengthen their head, neck and back muscles. Babies can play beneath the beautiful light projections of our interactive Tovertafel (Magic Table), while parents and minders get to know each other.

One ticket per baby. An adult must stay in the room with the baby. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on January 2nd.

Events for Young Adults

Teen Book Club



Monday January 12th, 5.30pm

Tallaght Library's Young Adult book club for ages 12 to 14 is looking for members!

The 'Teen Book Club' takes place on the second Monday of each month at 5.30pm

Join us to discuss a new book monthly and meet other book enthusiasts! Pick up this month's book at the library desk.

To enquire about joining, ask at the library desk, phone us at (01) 462 0073, or send us an email at tallaghtlibrary@sdublincoco.ie



Events for Adults

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



All welcome. No booking required.

Local History Books for Purchase

South Dublin Libraries have published a range of books that are available for sale.

Many of the titles are about the history of the South Dublin area and part for being a source of local interest, they make excellent presents for people who may have grown up in the area and now live elsewhere.

Please be advised we can only accept cash payment at this time

Please see southdublinlibraries.ie for a full list of titles





Café Memoir

Wednesday January 7th, 3.00pm

Come along to the Café Memoir, a monthly meet-up designed for people living with dementia, their families, carers, and healthcare professionals.

The Café will continue on the first Wednesday of each month.

Café Memoir offers a welcoming space to share stories, connect with others, and enjoy a relaxed afternoon together.

Come along and be part of this supportive community!

All welcome, no need to book.

Self Directed MenderSpace Sessions Various Dates and Times from January 2nd - 31st



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

Men's Shelf: A Book Club for Men



Wednesday January 7th, 6.30pm

In Tallaght Library we have a book club just for men and we're looking for new members.

The club meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 6.30 pm.

Sign-up by phone 01 4630073 or by email tallaghtlibrary@sdublincoco.ie.

Arts & Crafts for Adults with Kim Jenkinson

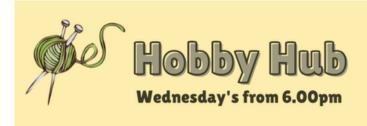
Join artist Kim Jenkinson for another relaxing craft workshop for adults. This month's craft will be will be announced closer to the date.

Tuesday January 27th, 11.00am

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



Hobby Hub



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.

Chess Club

Wednesdays, 6.00pm - 7.30pm



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.

All Welcome. No Booking Required.

English/Spanish Language Exchange

Mondays, 6.30pm - 7.30pm



Attention Spanish/English speakers!

Our English/Spanish language exchange for adults is returning on Monday September 29 and every Monday following from 6.30pm.

Do you want to improve your Spanish? Or are you a native Spanish speaker who wants to improve your English or an informal way to improve your English/Spanish? Join in, learn and share what you know!

This is not a Spanish/English class. There is no tutor. It's just for practicing in conversation.
Please contact Tallaght Library on 014620073 or tallaghtlibrary@sdublincoco.ie

Atención Hispano Hablantes!

Os gustaría mejorar tu Inglés? Aumentar su fluidez? Aclarar dudas?

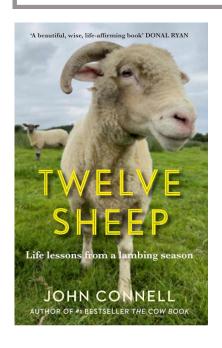
Se os presenta una oportunidad para hablar Inglés con nativos que desean practicar el Espagnol con ustedes.

El intercambio de lenguas, Inglés – Espagnol se realiza todos los lunes de 6.30pm a las 7.30pm en la biblioteca de Tallaght. Es gratis!

Si estais interesados contactar con la biblioteca, telefono: 01 462 0073 o correo electronico: tallaghtlibrary@sdublincoco.ie

Betterment Book Club

Wednesday January 19th, 6.30pm



The Betterment Book Club is Tallaght Library's non-fiction book club. Every month we read a different non-fiction book and meet up to have engaging discussions. This is the perfect book club for anyone who is looking to learn something new this year! For January, we will be reading Twelve Sheep: Life Lessons from a Lambing Season by John Connell. This book explores rural life in Ireland and what it can tell us about spirituality, identity and our search for meaning. We will be meeting on Monday, the 19th of January at 6:30 PM to discuss. We hope to see you there!

Firstival: Line Dancing

Tuesday January 13th, 6.30pm



Join us for a fun, energetic Line Dancing session as part of this year's Firstival Festival! Whether you're a complete beginner or already know your way around a grapevine step, Maggie's Mavericks will have you moving in no time. Learn easy-to-follow routines set to great music, enjoy the upbeat atmosphere, and experience the joy of dancing in a friendly, welcoming group. Just bring your enthusiasm! Come along, try something new for Firstival, and get ready for plenty of smiles, steps, and toe-tapping good fun.

A valid phone number is required at the time of booking for confirmation and event reminders. Please cancel if you can no longer attend. Non-attendance without cancellation may affect your ability to book future events with SDCC Libraries.

Events are strictly for adults only and are not suitable for children.

Booking Essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am January 2nd.

Firstival: Myster Craft

Thursday January 15thth, 6pm



Break free from last year's challenges and brighten up your new year embracing your cracks and turning mental struggles into golden moments. Step into a story of imperfection, resilience, and honouring the past. No experience needed.

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Firstival: Silver Ring Forging



Friday January 16th, 11am

As part of this year's Firstival Festival, join us to learn the basics of silversmithing and create your very own handmade silver ring!

In this hands-on workshop, you'll be introduced to core silversmithing skills — sawing, soldering, filing, hammering, and polishing — as you craft a beautiful piece of jewellery from start to finish. Choose from three different textures (or mix and match them for something truly unique!) and select the finish you love best. The result is a stunning, handcrafted gift for yourself or someone special.

Guided by a highly experienced goldsmith with extensive industry and jewellery-design expertise, you'll gain insight into this incredible ancient craft while discovering a new creative hobby. Many past participants of our Forge a Silver Ring Workshop have gone on to join longer courses to further develop their skills.

Come celebrate creativity, craftsmanship, and learning with us during Firstival Festival!

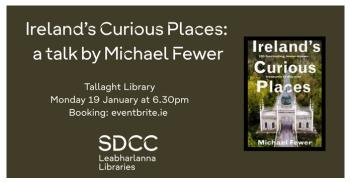
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Ireland's Curious Places - A Talk by Michael Fewer



Monday January 19th, 6.30pm

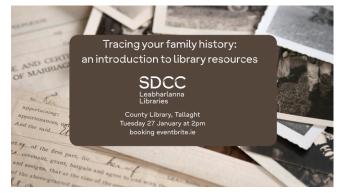
Join historian Michael Fewer for this talk on his most recent book, a captivating guide to some of our island's most curious, intriguing and quirky locations. Prepare to be enthralled! An architect by profession, Michael is now a writer, historian, travel writer and naturalist. His books include J.B. Malone: the life and times of a walking pioneer (published by South Dublin Libraries), The Battle of the Four Courts. Doorways of Ireland, Rambling Down the and Michael Fewer's Ireland.

He has contributed to radio and television programmes and over the last three decades has written many magazine and newspaper articles on walking, environment and travels in Europe.

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on January 2nd.

Tracing your Family History - An introduction to Library resources

Tuesday January 27th, 2pm



Have you always wanted to research your family history? This workshop will examine the free resources available in the Local Studies Collection of the County Library along with the online resources available via your SDCC Library Card. **This workshop is intended for beginners and is not a genealogical advisory service.**

Possession of a valid SDCC Library Card is necessary to complete the workshop. You can join the library in advance of the session.

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on January 9th.

Nollaig na mBan Crafting Session

Tuesday January 6th, 6pm



Try out a new craft over tea and cake to celebrate Nollaig na mBan in Tallaght Library.

Booking Essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am December 31st.

Firstival: Create Coasters & Decorative Planter



Wednesday January 14th, 6pm

Discover the possibilities of Jesmonite, a quick-dry casting material used in everything from art pieces to custom tabletops. In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to mix, colour, and pour Jesmonite, and use simple mould-making techniques to create your own set of coasters and a small decorative planter. It's fun, fast, and beginner-friendly — a great way to explore a versatile material and take home pieces you've made yourself.

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Manage your Money with Aoife Gaffney

Wednesday January 28th, 6pm



Join Aoife Gaffney (Prudence Moneypenny) to find out how to get your finances back on track.

Topics covered will include

- budgeting
- money-saving tips
- shopping around for utilities and financial products

The talk is free and all are welcome.

Tradfest 2026: Try the Pipes

Saturday January 24th, 2.30pm



This workshop is suitable for adults, teens or children age 8+. Children should be accompanied by a guardian. Please book a ticket for each person attending. Na Píobairí Uilleann (NPU), the Society of Uilleann Pipers was founded in 1968 when there were less than 100 uilleann pipers remaining. Today NPU is a thriving arts organisation.

Booking Essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am January 17th.





Library Opening Times Monday to Thursday: 9.45am - 8.00pm Friday and Saturday: 9.45am - 4.30pm

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