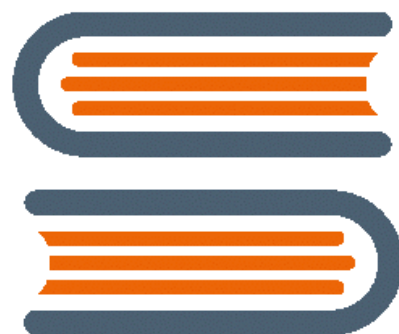




Tallaght Library

Event Guide
May 2025



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.

Gymboree with Agatha



Wednesday May 14th,
10.30am

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

All welcome! No booking required.

Introduction to the BBC Micro:bit

Thursday May 29th,
3.30 - 4.30pm



Learn some basic coding at this fun Tech Week 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 10am on May 22.

Children and Parents

Sensory Explorers

Sensory Explorers

For children with additional needs

Monday May 12th, 3.30 to 4.30pm

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 at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 5th.**

Lego Challenge with Library Staff

**Wednesday May 28th,
3.30pm**



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.

For ages 7+

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am May 21st.

Baby and Toddler Sing-along

**BABY AND TODDLER
SING-ALONG WITH
RACHEL DREW**

**Wednesday May 7th & 21st,
10.30am**

Join us for this Sing-Along session for babies and toddlers with singer, musician and music educator Rachel Drew.

All welcome! No booking required.

Children and Parents

Baby Tummy Time



**Tuesday May 6th,
10.30am**

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.

Booking essential. There will be two sessions on the day, one at 10.30am and one at 11.30am.

You can book the 10.30am session at talib.eventbrite.ie.

You can book the 11.30am session at talib.eventbrite.ie.

Sensory Morning



**Saturday May 10th,
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 & Toddler Dance with Emma from Emarley Music

**Wednesday May 28th,
10.30am**

**Baby & Toddler
Dance**



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

Early Starters Music with Music Generation

Begins Thursday May 8th,
10.30am & 11.15am



Join Music Generation's music educator for these five-week long music courses in Tallaght Library beginning on Thursday May 8. There will be two courses available to book, one for 0-18 months at 10.30am and the other for 18 months to 4 years at 11.15am. You must be able to attend each session.

You can book the 0 to 18 months session at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 1.

You can book the 18 months to 4 years session at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 1.

Junior Book Club

**JUNIOR
BOOK
CLUB**



Thursday May 15th,
3.30pm

This month our Junior Book Club are reading the multi-award winning novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

The book club meets on the third Thursday of each month.

The Junior Book Club is for ages 9 to 12. To enquire about joining just ask at the library desk or phone us at (01) 462 0073.

We hope to see you there.

Events for Young Adults

Noise in the Loft



Tuesdays, 6pm - 8pm

The NOISE Music DJ Collective (NDJC) is a free DJ programme that runs every Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm, for young people aged between 14 and 18. Drop in and check it out!

Suitable for ages 14 to 18.
All welcome. No Booking Required.

Teen Book Club

**Monday May 12th,
5.30pm**



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

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

Join us to discuss a new book monthly, meet other book lovers, and make a choice on what to read next as a group. Pick up our first book for discussion at the library desk when you sign up!

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

Manga Sticker-Making Workshop



**Thursday May 8th,
5.00pm**

At this workshop for teens with library staff you can design your own Manga themed stickers with your favourite Manga characters. We'll print the stickers onto sticker paper and use our digital cutter to cut them so that you'll leave with a page of your own peelable stickers.

Ages 13+

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

Events for Adults

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.

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

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.

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**

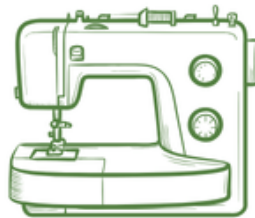
All welcome. No booking required.



Self Directed MenderSpace Sessions Various Dates and Times from May 1st - 31st



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

Men's Shelf: A Book Club for Men



**MEN'S
SHELF**

A BOOK CLUB FOR MEN
at Tallaght Library

**Wednesday May
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. This month the group will be discussing 'Small things like these', a historical fiction novella by Claire Keegan.

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

Ciorcal Comhrá



**Every Wednesday,
6.30pm**

Tá Ciorcal Comhrá ag tosnú i Leabharlann Thamhlachta!

Our Irish-language conversation circle, or Ciorcal Comhrá, in Tallaght Library as switched this evening from Monday evening to Wednesday evening. Join us to practice speaking Irish with some informal chat and conversation. Every Wednesday evening.

Booking essential. For 18+

Contact tallaghtlibrary@sdblincoco.ie to book your place or to find out more.

English/Spanish Language Exchange



**Every Monday,
6.30pm**

Attention Spanish/English speakers!

We now have an English/Spanish language exchange for adults on Mondays at 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!

Please contact Tallaght Library on 014620073 or tallaghtlibrary@sdblincoco.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 Español con ustedes.

El intercambio de lenguas, Inglés – Español 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@sdblincoco.ie

MenderMeets Guided Sewing Clinics



MENDERMEETS

Guided
Sewing Clinic

**Saturday May 10th,
10am - 1pm**

In our new monthly sewing clinic you can undertake your own sewing and mending projects with a little guidance from our sewing expert. Once booked in for a session, you can stay for the entire duration or drop in during at a time that suits you.

Bring a small project with you (those trousers you're unsure of taking up, that tear that needs mending) and get to stitching! ♻️🌍🧑🌍♻️

The sessions are casual, collaborative and take place monthly.

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 3rd.

Tallaght Historical Society Lecture Series Death in Ireland - by John Dolan

**Tuesday May 13th,
7.00pm - 8.00pm**



Tallaght Historical Society Lecture Series

Death in Ireland

A talk by John Dolan

This month's Tallaght Historical Society Lecture will be given by John Dolan and has the epic theme 'Death in Ireland'.

All welcome. No booking required.

Chair Yoga - 8 Week Course

**Starts Thursday May 8th,
2pm**



An 8-Week Chair Yoga course is beginning in Tallaght Library on May 8th. The course will continue at 2pm each Thursday.

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done sitting on a chair or standing on the ground while using the chair for support. The benefits include improved flexibility, better concentration and increased strength.

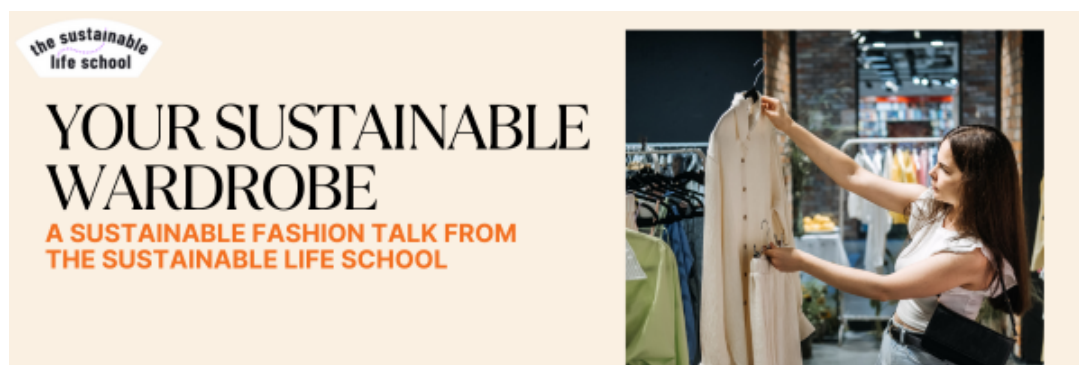
Participants will need to complete a registration form to secure their place on the course. You can collect a form from the library desk.

Contact the library to learn more.

email: tallaghtlibrary@sdublincoco.ie

phone: (01) 4620073

Your Sustainable Wardrobe - A sustainable Fashion Talk



**Monday May 12th,
6pm - 7pm**

Join this interactive session delivered by The Sustainable Life School to learn how to be more sustainable with your clothes. Get informed on the top environmental and social issues associated with the fashion industry and learn how you can make a positive impact by learning:

- how to source clothes sustainably
- what to do with the ones that no longer spark joy
- which fabrics are better for you and the planet
- how to care for your clothes

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 6.

Acorn Tablet Training



Monday May 19th & 26th,
2.30pm - 4.00pm

At these person to person training workshops you will learn how to use the age-friendly Acorn Tablet at home, including how to search the internet, download apps and email. You can then borrow the tablet for up to 3 months.

Get in touch to make a booking at tallaghtlibrary@sdblincoco.ie or 01-462 0073 or ask at the library desk on your next visit.

10 Years of Marriage Equality

Monday May 19th,
from 5.00pm



Be part of a special evening as South Dublin Libraries commemorates the 10th anniversary of the Marriage Equality referendum—a milestone that made Ireland the first country in the world to legalise same-sex marriage by popular vote.

✨ What to Expect:

Join us in Tallaght Library for an inspiring panel discussion, lively conversation, and refreshments as we look back at the referendum and explore its lasting impact on Irish society, culture, and identity.

This is more than a celebration—it's a moment to reflect on a pivotal chapter in Ireland's journey toward equality.

🗣️ Panel speakers to be announced soon!
Don't miss this chance to mark history with us.

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

Launch of Photographic Exhibition of the Irish Defence Forces by Mark Pollack



**Thursday May 1st,
5.30pm**

Photographic Exhibition
Of the Irish Defence Forces

By Mark Pollock

You are invited to the launch of our new photographic exhibition by Mark Pollack, 'From Many Paths, One Purpose' with members of the Irish Defence Forces in attendance. We will also have a very special guest in attendance, Finn, the old Irish Red and White Setter who serves as the mascot of the Irish Air Corp!

You can find out more about this exciting exhibition below in our 'Exhibitions' section.

Refreshments will be served.

All Welcome. No booking required.

Weird and Wonderful World of Irish Wasps

**Thursday May 22nd,
6.30pm**

**WEIRD AND WONDERFUL
WORLD OF IRISH WASPS**
with Brian Murray of MicroWild



Mention the word "wasp" to the average person in Ireland and you'll probably get an almost primal reaction, a grimace, or at the very least a concerned countenance. Of course, these reactions tend to relate to the wasps of the genus *Vespula* and *Dolichovespula*, of which, in Ireland, there are only seven species (one of which, incidentally, is a cuckoo species). Find out all about Irish Wasps in this fascinating talk with Brian Murray of MicroWild for Biodiversity Week.

You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 8.

Clothes Swap for Adults



**Saturday May 24th,
11.00am, - 12.30pm**

Join us for a fun-filled morning of fashion and sustainability at the Tallaght Library Clothes Swap for Adults! 🌱😊🌱

On Saturday, 24th May, head over to Tallaght Library for an exciting opportunity to swap your gently used clothes with others in the community. Bring your unwanted clothes and accessories, and leave with a whole new look! This event is open to everyone, so invite your friends and family to join in the fun.

Clothes Drop off:

Wed, 21st May 5pm to 7.30pm

Sat, 24th May 10.15am to 10.45am

5 items per person

D24 Reads Catch up with Claire Hennessy

**Tuesday May 27th,
6.00pm**



Join your fellow readers for some lively book discussion with author Claire Hennessy.

There's still plenty of time to sign-up to D24 Reads - just pop into the library and pickup your free tote bag and bookmark today!

Bealtaine Events

GAA Gold - Screening of Classic GAA Football Match



Thursday May 8th,
6.30pm

Relive the excitement of the 1983 All-Ireland Senior Football Championship final at this special screening in Tallaght Library. This classic encounter between Dublin and Galway is known as the 'Game of Shame'. Find out why at this Bealtaine event.

Tea and Coffee will be available.

Book at talib.eventbrite.ie or just come along on the day.

Movie Evening at Tallaght Library: a Man of no Importance

Thursday May 15th,
6.00pm



For Bealtaine we're having a special edition of our monthly Movie Evening where we'll be screening the classic 'A Man of No Importance' from 1964, starring Albert Finney.

In 1963's Dublin, Alfred Byrne is a bus conductor who pleasures his working class passengers with poetry recitals as he punches their tickets.

Book at talib.eventbrite.ie or just come along on the day.

Plant Swap and Gardening Day



**Saturday May 17th,
10.00am**

Bring along some of your plants and swap them for new ones!
Enjoy live Gardening Demonstrations on the day.

10am - Plant Drop off

10.30am - Gardening Demonstrations by South Dublin Allotment association

11am - Collect plants from the Plant Swap

How it works

- Bring along a maximum of 3 plants to donate to the plant swap.
- Label the plants for donation.
- Receive 3, 2 or 1 token(s) for the plants you donate, subject to staff discretion.
- Attend our wonderful demonstrations by South Dublin Allotment Association.
- Redeem your tokens for plants that others have donated.
- Return home with some wonderful new plants!
- Please note, South Dublin Libraries and South Dublin County Council is not responsible for the quality of the plants or any issues that arise thereafter.

Book at talib.eventbrite.ie or just come along on the day.

Age Friendly Bingo

**Tuesday May 20th,
3.00pm**



Join us for a few rounds of Age Friendly Bingo in Tallaght Library on Tuesday 20th May from 3pm. The competition is friendly, the banter is top-notch, and the only thing serious is the prize-winning!

Booking can be made at talib.eventbrite.ie or through the library desk.

Crafts for Adults with Kim Jenkinson



Tuesday May 27th,
11.00am

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

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

Dublin Culture - Live Performance by Joyce Stagers

Thursday May 29th,
6.00pm



Joyce Stagers celebrate the gathering of 37 of Ireland's foremost poets, writers, artists, and journalists as featured in Alan Reeve's famous caricature including Patrick Kavanagh, Flann O'Brien, Austin Clarke and Francis McManus. This is an evening of readings/performances of a selection from their works.

Book at talib.eventbrite.ie or just come along on the day.

Chair Yoga Taster Session with Sally Dunne



**Wednesday May 21st,
2.00pm**

Join Sally Dunne for this taster session of Chair Yoga.

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done sitting on a chair or standing on the ground while using the chair for support. The benefits include improved flexibility, better concentration and increased strength.

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 1.

Tai Chi Taster Session with Nicole Mills



**Friday May 23rd,
11.00am**

Join Nicole Mills for this Tai Chi Taster Session.

Tai Chi is an ancient form of exercise which offers harmony between the body and mind. Popular the world over with well documented benefits to overall health and flexibility.

Booking essential. You can book your place at talib.eventbrite.ie from 10am on May 1.

Exhibitions

Stanislaw Gliwa Exhibition, Courtesy of John Mullen From Tuesday May 6th to Friday May 16th



Stanislaw Gliwa Exhibition

Courtesy of John Mullen

We have a fabulous exhibition of original prints of by Stanislaw Gliwa coming to Tallaght Library this month, courtesy of John Mullen.

Stanislaw Gliwa (1910-1986) was a Polish graphic artist, printer, and soldier. Born on March 26, 1910, in Siedliska near Rzeszów, Gliwa completed his secondary education and pursued higher education in Krakow and Poznan, studying graphic design.

With the outbreak of World War II, Gliwa was interned in labour camps, where he created over 200 portraits of fellow prisoners and their captors. In 1941, he joined General Anders' Army, serving in the Middle East and Italy. During this time, producing battle-themed drawings including the Battle of Montecassino.

After the war, Gliwa settled in London and was involved in graphic design. In 1963, he established his own printing press, Officina Typographica. His publications were known for their artistic quality, often featuring his own linocuts and typographic designs. Gliwa passed away on July 7, 1986.

Pendulum Project Exhibition

From Wednesday May 21st to Saturday May 31st

THE PENDULUM PROJECT



In March and April we were thrilled to host The Pendulum Project in Tallaght Library. The project, designed for older adults, was made up of four different courses using different forms of art – Textiles, Drawing, Painting and Creative Writing. We are now delighted to host an exhibition of the work done during the project.

Join us for the launch of the exhibition on Wednesday May 21. Refreshments will be served.



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Monday to Thursday: 9.45am - 8.00pm

Friday and Saturday: 9.45am - 4.30pm

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