

**Conversation exchanges  
Ciorcail Cómhrá**

(Informal and casual drop-in chat with no teacher)

**Adult only, strictly over 18s**

<b>Spanish Conversation Group</b>	Mondays at 6:30pm
<b>English Conversation Group</b>	Wednesdays at 6pm
<b>French Conversation Group</b>	Saturdays at 10am
<b>Irish Conversation Group</b>	Saturdays at 12pm

**LifeRing**

LifeRing is an international organisation of support groups for people who want to live free of alcohol or other addictive drugs. It provides an environment for interactive sharing and participation, and meets in the library on **Saturdays from 1pm to 3pm**. For further information please email

**[lifering.dublin@gmail.com](mailto:lifering.dublin@gmail.com)**

You can also check out our library blog posts on **[www.fingal.ie/blog/?cat=5](http://www.fingal.ie/blog/?cat=5)**

**Opening Hours - Uaireanta Oscailte**

Mon - Thurs: 9.45am - 8.00pm

Fri - Sat: 9.45am - 5.00pm

Bank Holiday Weekends: Closed Saturday & Monday

**For more information or to book in for events:**

**Le haghaidh níos mó eolas nó chun d'áit a chur in áireamh:**

**Phone/Guthán:** 01 890 5563

**Ríomhphost:** [blanchlibrary@fingal.ie](mailto:blanchlibrary@fingal.ie)

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# Leabharlann Bhaile Bhlainséir Blanchardstown Library



Events - Eachtraí  
February - Feabhra  
2020

# Adult Events Fachtraí do Dhaoine Fásta



**“Coach Yourself to a Better Life” with Jill Barrett**  
**“Tú Féin a Chothú go Saol Níos Fearr” le Jill Barrett**  
Wednesday, 5th February from 18.30pm to 19.45pm

Do you start every New Year with the thought that life could be better? Have you made many resolutions that you haven't kept? Would you like to be more back in control of your life and achieving in what's most important to you?

Jill Barrett, Accredited Personal, Executive and Leadership Coach will facilitate a **4-week**, 1 hour & 15 mins seminar programme helping you to look at what you most want out of life, what's stopping you from achieving it, and most importantly what will help you to get there. Each session will be a mix of content and group coaching.

Please note the sessions are not counselling/therapy based or intended as a substitute for such, so if that is the help you need please reach out to an appropriate professional.

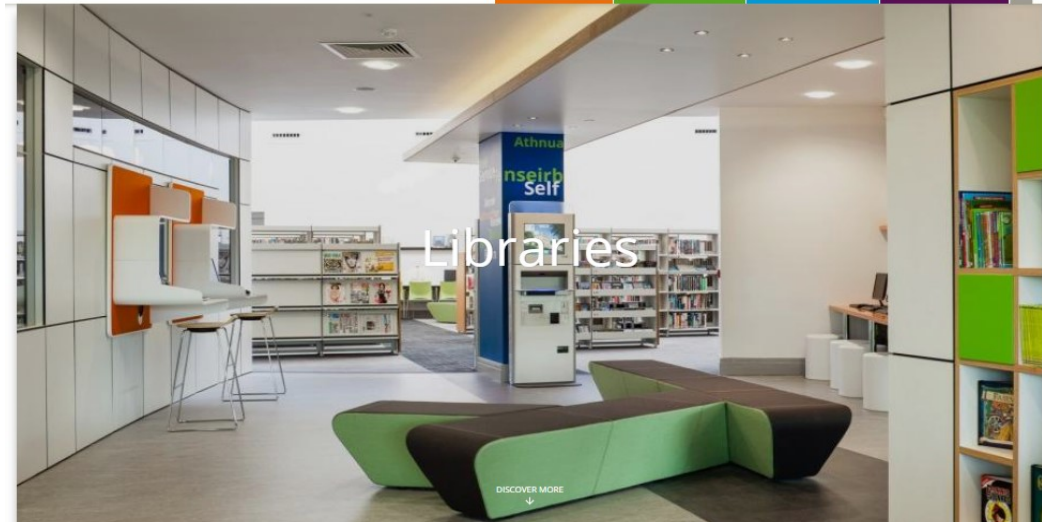
**Booking essential**

## **An author's visit - cuairt ón údar**

Monday, 24th February  
from 18.30pm to 19.45pm

Join author, journalist, editor and digital media specialist Caitlin McBride as she talks about her new book: 'The Day That Changed My Life'.

**Booking essential**



## **Library News - Nuacht na Leabharlanna**

Follow Fingal Libraries on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to stay up to date with all the activity in Blanchardstown Library!

Twitter: @fingallibraries  
Facebook: Fingal Libraries  
Instagram: @librariesfingal

Don't miss our **brand new** website: <https://www.fingal.ie/fingallibraries>  
You can also check out our library blog posts on [www.fingal.ie/blog/?cat=5](http://www.fingal.ie/blog/?cat=5)

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## Library on the Radio—An Leabharlann ar an Raidió

Join Andy, Domhnall and guests on the Blanchardstown Library Radio Show at 13:40pm each Monday on 92.5 Phoenix FM. Each show features library news, views, book reviews, and the occasional library themed joke!



## Adult Events Eachtraí do Dhaoine Fásta

### eService Information Clinic Seisiún Eolas ar na rSeirbhísí

Wednesday, 19th February from 2pm to 3pm

Our online services include free eBooks, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, comics, courses, and music all free of charge!

If you would like further information, or for assistance in downloading the Fingal Library App, call in during our information clinic with your smartphone, tablet, laptop or Kindle Fire, and our eServices team will help you get set up.

**No booking required**

**Local Enterprise Office** 

### LEO Business Advice Clinics Comhairle Gnó le LEO

Thursday, 13th & 27th February

Blanchardstown Europe Direct Information Centre and Work Matters, the library's Business, Enterprise and Employment Support Service - in conjunction with the Local Enterprise Office in Fingal (LEO) are offering Business Advice clinics in Blanchardstown Library. Booking is essential. **For more information and to book an individual session go to:**

<https://www.localenterprise.ie/Fingal> or phone 01 8900800.

### Blanchardstown/Castleknock History Society Cumann Stair Baile Bhlainséir agus Caisleán Cnucha

For more information on the History Society, please call Aingeal at 085 749 1672, email [a.mcmorrow.b.c.h.s@gmail.com](mailto:a.mcmorrow.b.c.h.s@gmail.com) or visit <https://blanchardstowncastleknockhistorysociety.wordpress.com/>

**All welcome**

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Call into your local Fingal Library today and benefit from this new Initiative. Explore the enhanced book collection, discover the range of online services and attend one of the FREE Healthy Ireland at your Library events which are being run across Fingal Libraries. To find out more information and future events go to our brand new website:

[www.fingal.ie/library](http://www.fingal.ie/library)



# Children's Events

## Eachtraí do Pháistí

### **E2 Young Engineers Lego Bricks Challenge** **Seachtain Innealtóra**

Monday, 2nd March 2020 from 15:30pm - 16:30pm

Come and celebrate Engineers Week in Blanchardstown Library! The highlight of each lesson is the building stage of a model that demonstrates the lesson's subject using LEGO® bricks and Technic LEGO®. Each participant receives E2's unique Young Engineers kit which has been designed and manufactured especially for this purpose.

Ages: 6-12 years old

**Booking opens on Eventbrite.ie from February, 17th at 10am.**



### **Musical Tots - Leanaí Ceolmhar**

Wednesday, 12th February 2020 from 11am-12pm

Ages: 6+ months

Does your baby have a love of music? Come and join us in Blanchardstown Library for an interactive musical workshop.

**Booking opens on Eventbrite from February, 1st at 10am**

### **Valentine's Crafts and Storytime**

#### **Ceardaíocht agus Am Scéalaíochta Vailintíne**

Thursday, 13th February 2020 from 14:30pm - 15:30pm

Make something lovely for the special people around you and enjoy some lovely stories too.

Ages: 4 - 7 year olds

**Booking opens on Eventbrite.ie from February 1st at 10am**

### **Óga Yoga for Kids - Óga Yoga do Leanaí**

Tuesday, 3rd March 2020 from 15:30pm—16:30pm

Join Óga Yoga for a creative and imaginative adventure combining dynamic yoga poses and animal movements.

Yoga mats will be provided.

Ages: 6-10 years old

**Booking opens on Eventbrite.ie from February 11th at 10am.**



### **Silver Tree Story Telling with Clíodhna** **Scéaltaí le Clíodhna**

Saturday, 22nd February 2020 at 11.00am

Ages: 0 - 6 years

Join Clíodhna as she weaves a gentle story that will delight children and adults alike!

**Autism-Friendly Event—Booking Essential on Eventbrite.ie**

### **A Sensory Friendly Introduction to Dungeons and Dragons** **Réamhrá Céadfach do Dhoinsiúin agus Dragain**

Tuesday, 11th February 2020 from 15.00pm -17.00pm

Ages: 8 -12 years

Come and join us for our new monthly Dungeons and Dragons session in Blanchardstown Library!

**This is an inclusive event but is also sensory friendly.**

**Booking opens on Eventbrite.ie from February 1st at 10am.**

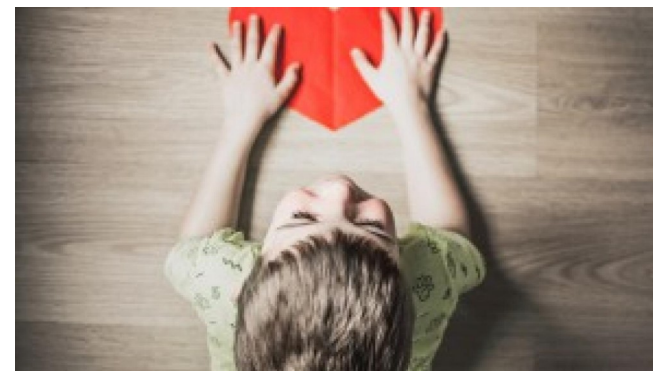


### **Touch Typing 6 week course** **Cúrsa Clóscríofa 6 seachtaine**

Starts Thursday, 27th February 2020 from 16.00pm - 17.00pm

Learn how to touch type in this series of Autism-friendly workshops with Searsol. Attendees must be available to attend every class.

**Booking opens on Eventbrite.ie from February, 17th at 10.00am**





## Autism Friendly Events - Eachtraí do Dhaoine Uathach

### New Sensory Friendly Quiet Hour Uair Chiúin Nua d'Éinne le Cumas Céadfach

Every Monday from 18.30-19.30pm

Far from the hustle and bustle of the outside world your library is having a quiet hour once a week. Be the first to come and enjoy peaceful and mindful time in our specially prepared room.

**All Welcome**



### Academy of Code: Deconstruct the Code Sensory Friendly Coding Codú Céadfach

Wednesday, 5th February 2020 from 18:30pm – 19:30pm (11-13 years)

This four week course is designed to engage students through structured lessons with the aim of increasing their knowledge, interest and confidence in STEM subjects. The courses are **both sensory friendly and inclusive**, so all are welcome. This is a four week course and attendees must be able to attend all four sessions as follows: February 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th

**Booking now open on [Eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)**

### Reuben The Entertainer - An Siamsóir Reuben

Saturday, 29th February 2020 from 14.00pm to 15.00pm

Ages: 4+

Come laugh and be amazed with us on National Library Open Day where Reuben will be performing. Do not miss a great family moment and surprises for this very special event.

**All Welcome**

### Baby Book Club - Club Leabhar Leanbh

Tuesday, 18th February 2020 from 11:30am - 12pm

This month, Ciara will lead another excellent storytelling session for children of pre-school age. Enjoy songs, stories and games with your toddler for half an hour on the third Tuesday of each month.

**All welcome**

### The Parent & Toddler Group Grúpa Páistí agus Tuismitheoirí

Every Wednesday from 10am to 1pm

An excellent social space for both parents and children.

All are welcome to drop in at any time.

**All welcome**



### Board Games and Chess Club Club Cluichí Cláir agus Ficheall

Every Wednesday at 4pm

Join Ali, Neil and friends for an hour of fun and games.

**All welcome**

### Tales from the Black Forest And Beyond Scéalta Gearmánacha

Tuesday, 21st February 2020 from 15:30pm to 16.30pm

Ages: This is a family session best suited for ages 7+

Join German storyteller Simone Schuemmelfeder on this journey through Germany! With tales from the Black Forest, Munich, Hamburg and everywhere in-between, Simone will enchant you with the rich and diverse treasure of German folklore and customs. In conjunction with the Mother Tongues Festival 2020

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**"What in the World? 50 Countries in 50 stories"**  
**"Cad é faoin Spéir? 50 Tíortha i 50 scéal "**

First two weeks in February

Blanchardstown Library will host an exhibition "What in the World? 50 countries 50 stories" for the first two weeks in February. Featuring a range of human rights stories, since 2004, the RTÉ Television series "What in the World" has filmed in over 50 countries across Africa, Asia and the

Americas. This exhibition will feature compelling stories of fifty people featured in the series using still photographs, quotations from people featured in the films along with a montage of footage from the series.

**All Welcome**



**Drawing and painting in acrylics for improvers for adults**  
**(6 week course)**

**Líníocht agus péintéireacht in aicrilih**

Starts Wednesday 26th February from 18.15pm to 19.45pm

Join John Carpenter in Blanchardstown Library where we will finish a painting most evenings, tackle some difficult subjects like painting rocks and trees and have a relaxed fun evening with paint. All materials provided.

**As places are limited, booking is essential on 01-8905563 or at EuropeDirect@fingal.ie**

**Paper Craft Workshops for adults (5 week beginners course)**  
**Cearlanna Ceardaíochta Páipéir do dhaoine fásta**

Starts Tuesday 25th February from 14.30pm to 16.00pm

This fabulous course is designed to show how gifts and cards can, with a little skill and care, be personalised to delight the recipient. A range of creative approaches and decorative materials will be used to give different effects. The 'show and do' demonstrations and exercises will stimulate ideas for participants to use. The focus will be on pop-up cardmaking, boxes and gift enclosures using a variety of card and papers. The basic techniques of Kirigami for decoration and pop-up making will be demonstrated.

All materials provided.

**As places are limited, booking is essential on 01-8905563 or at EuropeDirect@fingal.ie**

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