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Samhradh i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall 2023

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Summer in Fingal Libraries 2023

So much to see.....so much to do!



Céard atá ar siúl i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall!
What's on in Fingal Libraries!

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Cuir tús le do Shamhradh le turas chuig an leabharlann

Your summer starts with a trip to the Library.

Check out the free talks, workshops, and services available in Fingal Libraries that will inspire, motivate, and support you this summer.

Summer Events at a Glance

Event	Location	Start Time
Saturday, 17th June		
Mobile Library Summer Tour See further tour locations and dates on page 18	Safer Together Summer Festival	11:00am
Fingal Makerspace Repair Café	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Wednesday, 21st June		
Blanchardstown Brass Band History Project and Concert	Blanchardstown Library	7:00pm
Saturday, 24th June		
Improving your Drawing Skills with artist John Carpenter	Balbriggan Library	11:00am
An Introduction to Music Programming with Sonic Pi	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Monday, 26th June		
Fingal Makerspace Monthly Meetup See further workshops and dates on page 19	Blanchardstown Library	5:45pm
Wednesday, 28th June		
The Calm Café for Kids with Orlaith O'Sullivan See further workshops and dates on page 7	Blanchardstown Library	10:30am
Saturday, 1st July		
Mobile Library Summer Tour See further tour locations and dates on page 18	Flavour of Fingal County Council	11:00am
An introduction to 3D Printing	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Jesmonite Coaster Casting See further workshops and dates on page 20	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm
Sunday, 2nd July		
Mobile Library Summer Tour See further tour locations and dates on page 18	Flavour of Fingal County Council	11:00am



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Monday, 3rd July		
Scéalta Béaloideas/Irish Legends and Folklore with storyteller Roisín Murphy	Donabate Library	3:00pm
Tuesday, 4th July		
Dungeons and Dragons - Neverwinter Showdown: The Dracolich Abraxas See further workshops and dates on page 17	Swords Library	3:00pm
Thursday, 6th July		
Summer Arts & Crafts with artist Kim Jenkinson	Baldoyle Library	3:30pm
Friday, 7th July		
Improving your Drawing Skills with artist John Carpenter	Rush Library	11:00am
Saturday, 8th July		
Mobile Library Summer Tour See further tour locations and dates on page 18	Meakestown Summer Festival	11:00am
Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots	Rush Library	11:00am
An introduction to 3D Printing	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Monday, 10th July		
The Art of Poetry - Rhyming & Rapping with writer Maeve Devoy	Swords Library	2:30pm
Tuesday, 11th July		
Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots	Swords Library	10:30am
Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots	Garristown Library	2:00pm
Wednesday, 12th July		
Improving your Drawing Skills with artist John Carpenter	Malahide Library	11:00am
The Art of Poetry - Rhyming & Rapping with writer Maeve Devoy	Rush Library	2:30pm
Thursday, 13th July		
Summer Arts & Crafts with artist Kim Jenkinson	Garristown Library	11:00am
Summer Arts & Crafts with artist Kim Jenkinson	Howth Library	2:30pm
Friday, 14th July		
Summer Arts & Crafts with artist Kim Jenkinson	Malahide Library	3:00pm
Saturday, 15th July		
Supporting Parents Play Workshop with Stacy Hevy	Rush Library	11:00am
Build a Remote-Controlled Buggy	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am



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Monday, 17th July		
Chair Fitness with Linda Dungan Four workshops every Monday starting 17th July	Blanchardstown Library	10:00am
	Malahide Library	11.45 am
Wednesday, 19th July		
Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their child transitioning from Primary to Secondary School with Melissa Moore	Swords Library	6:30pm
Tuesday, 25th July		
Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their Child Transitioning from Preschool to Primary School with Melissa Moore	Balbriggan Library	6:30pm
Wednesday, 26th July		
IMPOSSIBLY GOOD IDEAS - a fun writing workshop with author Shane Hegarty	Donabate Library	3:30pm
Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their Child Transitioning from Preschool to Primary School with Melissa Moore	Baldoyle Library	6:30pm
Thursday, 27th July		
IMPOSSIBLY GOOD IDEAS - a fun writing workshop with author Shane Hegarty	Rush Library	3:30pm
Friday, 28th July		
IMPOSSIBLY GOOD IDEAS - a fun writing workshop with author Shane Hegarty	Skerries Library	3:30pm
How to find your voice and stand out with author & illustrator Aoife Dooley	Malahide Library	3:00pm
Saturday, 29th July		
An Introduction to Music Programming with Sonic Pi	Blanchardstown Library	2:00pm
Scéalta Béaloideas/Irish Legends and Folklore with storyteller Roisín Murphy	Balbriggan Library	2:30pm
Tuesday, 1st August		
Story Time with Dogs Trust See further story time sessions with Dogs Trust and dates on page 12	Blanchardstown Library	11:30am



Event	Location	Start Time
Wednesday, 2nd August		
Supporting Parents Play Workshop with Stacy Hevy	Balbriggan Library	11:00am
Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their child transitioning from Primary to Secondary School with Melissa Moore	Blanchardstown Library	6:30pm
Thursday, 3rd August		
Sensory Summer cooking with the Cool Food School	Balbriggan Library	11:00am
Sensory Summer cooking with the Cool Food School	Donabate Library	2:00pm
How to find your voice and stand out with author & illustrator Aoife Dooley	Blanchardstown Library	3:00pm
Friday, 4th August		
Supporting Parents Play Workshop with Stacy Hevy	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am
Saturday, 8th July		
Mobile Library Summer Tour See further tour locations and dates on page 18	Donabate/Portrane Summer Festival	11:00am
Tuesday, 15th August		
Birds of Fingal with Birdwatch Fingal	Skerries Library	2:30pm
An Exploration of St. Fintan's Cemetery, Sutton with Fingal Archivist Karen De Lacey	Fingal Local Studies	7:00pm
Wednesday, 16th August		
Birds of Fingal with Birdwatch Fingal	Donabate Library	6:30pm
Thursday, 17th August		
Mr. Spice Bag with author Freddie Alexander	Garristown Library	10:00am
Mr. Spice Bag with author Freddie Alexander	Swords Library	12:00pm
Mr. Spice Bag with author Freddie Alexander	Howth Library	2:30pm
Birds of Fingal with Birdwatch Fingal	Baldoyle Library	4:00pm
Using DNA Test Results to Add to Your Family History with Genealogist Claire Bradley	Fingal Local Studies	7:00pm
Tuesday, 29th August		
Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots	Blanchardstown Library	11:00am





Summer Stars is the public reading programme for children that runs from the **12th of June until the end of August**. All children throughout the country are invited to join the adventure and to enjoy the fun and pleasure of reading and writing over the summer. Summer Stars is non-competitive and every child who reads/listens to even one book or e-book is regarded as having completed the programme – and it's all completely free!

Check out Fingal Libraries upcoming Summer Stars events and activities.

The Calm Café for Kids with Orlaith O'Sullivan

In this fun, creative 8-week course we'll take time to learn ways of caring for our own hearts and minds. We'll enjoy relaxation, drawing and collage, and guided practices like eating meditation, flower watering, ocean breath and more. The Calm Café for Children will have its own web page as well, with resources and guided practices to support children at home. Suitable for ages 7 – 12 years old.



Blanchardstown Library	Wednesdays, 28th June, 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th July, 2nd, 9th, 16th August	10:30am – 12:00pm
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Scéalta Béaloideas/Irish Legends and Folklore with storyteller Róisín Murphy



I rith an tsamhraidh, den ceiliúradh linn, le scéalaí Róisín Murphy agus a cuid scéalta traidisiúnta ó Éirinn. Beidh scéalta béaloideas againn, comh maith le scéalta traidisiúnta. Seachadadh an béaloideas seo ar aghaidh ó lámh go lámh, ó glúin go ghlúin. Beidh na seisiúin seo trí Gaeilge agus Béarla.

This summer celebrate with storyteller Róisín Murphy as she delves into much loved Irish stories. We will have folklore and traditional Irish tales that have been passed down through the generations. This is a bi-lingual event. Suitable for ages 6 – 12 years old.

Donabate Library	Monday, 3rd July	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 29th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Summer Arts & Crafts with artist Kim Jenkinson



Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this summer themed art workshop to create colourful suncatchers and bookmarks using a mix of leaves and flower petals. Why not bring along one favourite small flower or leaf to include in your finished artwork? Suitable for ages 7 – 11 years old.

Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 6th July	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Garristown Library	Thursday, 13th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Howth Library	Thursday, 13th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Malahide Library	Friday, 14th July	3:00pm – 4:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Sensory Music Workshop with Musical Tots



Join Karen Donnellan from Musical Tots for a sensory friendly, music workshop. As music stimulates both hemispheres of the brain, it can help to promote and encourage communication. There'll be singing, dancing, playing instruments and listening to songs. Suitable for ages 0 – 5 years old.

Rush Library	Saturday, 8th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Swords Library	Tuesday, 11th July	10:30am – 11:30am
Garristown Library	Tuesday, 11th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 25th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 29th August	11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

The Art of Poetry - Rhyming & Rapping with writer Maeve Devoy

There is nothing like the beauty of a poem or a piece of music that captures a moment and freezes it for life. In this lively workshop, Maeve will dissect some of the greatest poems and verses, explaining the different techniques used. She will detail the process of pacing and timing, so children will be able to master the art of rhyming and rapping, before writing their very their own poems or verses. *If the children have any percussion instruments, it would be wonderful if they could bring them along! Suitable for ages 7 - 12 years old.



Swords Library	Monday, 10th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Rush Library	Wednesday, 12th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

IMPOSSIBLY GOOD IDEAS - a fun writing workshop with author Shane Hegarty

Can you create a fun story using the town and places you know best? Skerries author Shane Hegarty helps you create some magic using great story ingredients and your imagination. Write or draw a story all of your own. Suitable for ages 7 – 12 years old.



Donabate Library	Wednesday, 26th July	3:30pm – 4:15pm
Rush Library	Thursday, 27th July	3:30pm – 4:15pm
Skerries Library	Friday, 28th July	3:30pm – 4:15pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



How to find your voice and stand out with author & illustrator Aoife Dooley

A fun talk about the inspiration behind Aoife's books Frankie's World and Finding My Voice & top tips on how she creates graphic novels. Suitable for ages 8 – 12 years old.



Malahide Library	Friday, 28th July	3:00pm – 3:50pm
Blanchardstown Library	Thursday, 3rd August	3:00pm – 3:50pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Sensory Summer Cooking with the Cool Food School

Join Deirdre from the award winning The Cool Food School for a fun, interactive simple cooking class in the library! Deirdre is a children's cookbook author, food educator, blogger and social media influencer. All children will get to 'make' their own version of the simple recipe! Suitable for ages 7 – 11 year old.



Balbriggan Library	Thursday, 3rd August	11:00am – 12:00pm
Donabate Library	Thursday, 3rd August	2:00pm – 3:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Mr. Spice Bag with author Freddie Alexander

Freddie Alexander lives in Dublin with his wife, son, and, he suspects, a large family of mice. He wrote Mr. Spicebag which was published in 2021. Freddie does not eat many spice bags these days, although the same cannot be said for the mice, who come and go as they please. Freddie also wrote Monster Island which was published in 2022. As a child, Freddie was terrified of monsters under the bed. These days his snoring keeps them away. Suitable for ages 8 – 10 years old.



Garristown Library	Thursday, 17th August	10:00am – 11:00am
Swords Library	Thursday, 17th August	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Howth Library	Thursday, 17th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Summer Stars



Right to Read

Story Time

Garristown Library	Every Wednesday, starting 14th June	3:45pm – 4:45pm Ages: 4+
Blanchardstown Library	Every Thursday, starting 15th June	3:00pm – 4:00pm All ages welcome
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 29th June	4:00pm – 5:00pm Ages: 4+
	Monday, 24th July, Wednesday, 2nd August	10:30am – 11:30am Ages: 4+
Swords Library	Tuesday, 11th July	2:30pm – 3:30pm Ages: 4 – 8 years
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 15th July	2:00pm – 3:00pm Ages: 4 – 7 years
Malahide Library	Wednesday, 19th July & 16th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 4 – 7 years
	Thursday, 20th July & 17th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 8 – 11 years
Howth Library	Thursday, 20th July & 10th August	11:00am – 12:00pm Ages: 3 – 5 years
Rush Library	Thursday, 3rd August	11:00am – 11:45am Ages: 3 – 8 years

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Summer Stars

Right to Read

Arts & Crafts

Howth Library	Monday, 12th June	3:30pm – 4:30pm Ages: 5 – 7 years
	Monday, 3rd July, 14th August	3:30pm – 4:30pm Ages: 8 – 11 years
Malahide Library	Friday, 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th July and 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th August	11:30am – 12:00pm Ages: 3 – 5 years
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 11th July Tuesday, 22nd August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 8 – 12 years
Rush Library	Tuesday, 11th, Thursday, 13th July, Tuesday, 8th, Thursday, 10th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 5 – 8 years
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 13th July, 10th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 6 – 10 years
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 13th June, 11th July, 15th August	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 7 – 11 years
Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 16th July	3:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 4 – 7 years
Swords Library	Thursday, 8th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm Ages: 6 – 10 years

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Storytime with Dogs Trust

*There once was a boy named Ben Foggs
 He had plenty of toys and two lovely dogs.
 And for their birthday, he decided to throw,
 A great birthday party for Ruben and Flo.
 Will they enjoy it? Or will things go wrong?
 To find out the answer you must come along!*

Dogs Trust will be hosting storytime in libraries all across the country this summer. With a dog safety message at our helm, come join us for a morning/afternoon of fun, drama and roleplay. Suitable for ages 5 – 10 years old.

Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 1st August	11:30am – 12:30pm
Howth Library	Tuesday, 1st August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Baldoyle Library	Tuesday, 8th August	11:30am – 12:30pm
Garristown Library	Tuesday, 8th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Rush Library	Tuesday, 15th August	11:30am – 12:30pm
Swords Library	Tuesday, 15th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Skerries Library	Tuesday, 22nd August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 23rd August	11:30am – 12:30pm
Malahide Library	Wednesday, 23rd August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Donabate Library	Wednesday, 30th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Supporting Parents Play Workshop with Stacy Hevy

Supporting Parents Play Workshop is designed to help families utilise the resources they have 'readily available at home', helping them support their child's learning and development through play. This workshop is ideal for babies as young as 6 months right up to the age of 3 years. With real life examples of play at home, parents will get to try out different types of play, taking away some tips & tricks on how to make time for meaningful play time in busy family schedules.



Rush Library	Saturday, 15th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 2nd August	11:00am – 12:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Friday, 4th August	11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their child transitioning from Primary to Secondary School with Melissa Moore, Accredited Play Therapist

Have you a young person making the move from 6th class to secondary school this year? Worried how they will cope? This transition can be an exciting time for many, but it can also be very stressful for some students and parents. Join Melissa Moore, Accredited Play Therapist, Parent Consultant, and mum of 3 teens to learn how you can support and empower your young person making this move whilst also addressing your own concerns.



Swords Library	Wednesday, 19th July	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 2nd August	6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Supporting Parents in Managing and Planning for their Child Transitioning from Preschool to Primary School with Melissa Moore, Accredited Play Therapist

The big day is coming, your little one is getting ready to start 'big school'! Such an exciting but nervous time for you all. Are you concerned how they will transition to a bigger class and longer days? Join Melissa Moore, Accredited Play Therapist, Parent Consultant, and mum of 3 teens to learn what you can do in these final days to support and empower your child during this important move whilst also addressing your own concerns.

Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 25th July	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Baldoyle Library	Wednesday, 26th July	6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.



Blanchardstown Brass Band History Project and Concert



One of the oldest bands in Ireland, the Blanchardstown Brass Band is committed to fostering an interest in brass music in the youth of the community. There will be an exhibition of old band memorabilia in the Lecture Room in Blanchardstown Library on June 19th, 20th & 21st. Local school students will be invited to a talk about the exhibition. All ages welcome.

There will be a concert by the Blanchardstown Brass Band in the library for all the family on 21st June. All Welcome.

Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 21st June	7:00pm – 8:00pm
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No booking required. All welcome.

First 5 Bags of stories and fun for every child starting school in 2023!

Pick up their **FREE** Little Library Book Bag at your local library

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Chair Fitness: Sit and Get fit with Linda Dungan

Increase your range of movement, build strength, balance, and coordination (to help with fall prevention) with a gentle 4-week chair exercise course where you can work at your own pace. Linda will use resistance bands, however if you want to challenge yourself a little more why not bring two water bottles. Let's move it or lose it!

Please Note: *This workshop involves physical movement. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.*

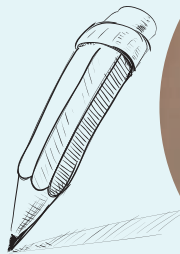


Blanchardstown Library	Mondays, 17th, 24th, 31st July 14th August	10:00am – 10:45am
Malahide Library	Mondays, 17th, 24th, 31st July 14th August	11:45am – 12:30pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Improving your Drawing Skills with artist John Carpenter

Join artist John Carpenter for a 2-hour workshop of pencil magic. Learn to draw or improve your skills. Get a grip with shading, crosshatching and perspective. Most of all ENJOY.



Rush Library	Friday, 7th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Malahide Library	Wednesday, 12th July	11:00am – 12:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Monday, 24th July	11:00am – 12:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.





Birds of Fingal

with Dr. Frank Prendergast of Birdwatch Fingal

Fingal has a diverse set of habitats from farmland to coastal islands, parklands to urban sprawl. These provide a diverse range of birds from the garden Robin to rare Roseate Terns. The talk will explore Fingal's habitats, wild bird sightings and sounds, and what we can do to protect these for the future.

Skerries Library	Tuesday, 15th August	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Donabate Library	Wednesday, 16th August	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 17th August	4:00pm – 5:00pm

To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

An Exploration of St. Fintan's Cemetery, Sutton

with Fingal Archivist Karen de Lacey

Fingal County Archivist Karen de Lacey traces the history and development of St. Fintan's Cemetery in Sutton from the ruins of St. Fintan's Church and holy well to the evolution of the cemetery itself – looking at the stories of some of those who are buried there, particularly those whose stories have been lost to time.



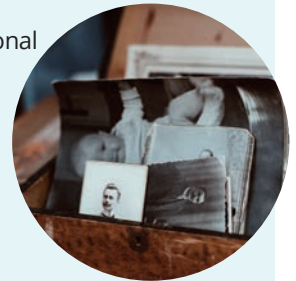
Fingal Local Studies & Archives	Tuesday, 15th August	7:00pm – 8:00pm
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To reserve a space, please contact the library hosting the event.

Using DNA Test Results to Add to Your Family History

with Genealogist Claire Bradley

For years, family history has been researched with traditional records like the census and birth, death, and marriage records. However, DNA tests are now increasingly employed to add to paper-based sources. They are often the first port of call for adoptees or someone who has an unknown ancestor. Many people have taken a test and don't understand how to use it. This talk explains how DNA tests work, which one is best for your research and how to maximise their potential for your own family.



Fingal Local Studies & Archives	Thursday, 17th August	7:00pm – 8:00pm
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DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Neverwinter Showdown: The Dracolich Abraxas

**Come down to your local library for some tabletop gaming
 with Dungeons & Dragons.**

This one-shot campaign has been specially designed for Fingal Libraries by Dungeon Master Esther Jordan and debuted at Swords Castle, where play was joined by the Mayor of Fingal, Cllr. Howard Mahony.

In this 5th level campaign, players must work together to stop the resurrection of the evil dragon wizard, Abraxas, and thwart his cult followers.

Swords Library	Tuesday, 4th July	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 13 - 17
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 11th July	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 8+
Baldoyle Library	Tuesday, 18th July	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 8+
Malahide Library	Tuesday, 25th July	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 8+
Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 1st August	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 8+
Howth Library	Tuesday, 8th August	3:00pm – 5:00pm • Ages: 8+

**Contact your local branch and join library staff
 for an afternoon of adventure, swashbuckling, and magic.**



Mobile Library Summer Tour



The Fingal Libraries Mobile Van will be at the following events so why not drop by and say hello. The mobile library carries a wide range of adult and children's books, along with audio books, internet access and a free request service for books not in stock!

You can also join the library if you are not a member. Membership is FREE!

Safer Together Summer Festival	Monday, 17th June	11:00am – 4:00pm
Flavours of Fingal	Saturday, 1st July, Sunday, 2nd July	11:00am – 6:00pm
Meakestown Summer Festival	Saturday, 8th July	11:00am – 5:00pm
Donabate/Portrane Summer Festival	Saturday, 12th August	11:00am – 5:00pm

No booking required. All welcome





Fingal Makerspace Repair Café

Join us at Fingal Makerspace for our Repair Café, where you can breathe new life into your broken household items! So, grab your broken treasures and join us for a day of mending, learning, and connection. Together, we can build a more sustainable future and celebrate the power of repair!

Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 17th June	11:00am – 4:00pm All ages
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To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.

An Introduction to Music Programming with Sonic Pi

This is a great workshop for those interested in using basic programming concepts to make drum loops and melodies. During the session you will learn the basic concepts of music programming and live coding, and how to use SonicPi to create musical sounds, rhythms, and melodies.

Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 24th June	11:00am – 1:00pm Ages: 9 – 12 years
Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 29th July	2:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 13 – 16 years

To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.

Fingal Makerspace Monthly Meetup

Join fellow design enthusiasts as you work on your personal projects, tap into a wealth of resources at Fingal Makerspace, and gain invaluable insights from industry professionals. This session is for those who have digital design basics and are ready to begin working on their own personal design projects in a supported environment.

Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 26th June, 31st July, 28th August	5:45pm – 7:45pm Adults
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To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.



Jesmonite Coaster Casting

Join us for a hands-on workshop where you'll learn how to make your own unique pieces using eco-friendly and versatile, Jesmonite. In two sessions, you'll master the art of mixing, casting, sanding, and finishing to create a set of bespoke coasters.

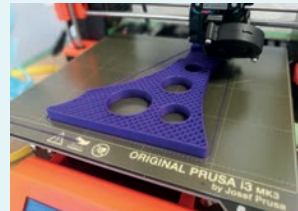


Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 1st, 8th July	2:00pm – 4:00pm Adults only
Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 5th, 12th August	2:00pm – 4:00pm Ages: 13 – 16 years
Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 19th, 26th August	11:00am – 1:00pm Adults only

To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.

An introduction to 3D Printing

During the session you will learn about 3D printing innovation and how this technology is being used to change the world. You will also learn how to use TinkerCad to design your own piece to print. Suitable for ages 9 – 12 years.

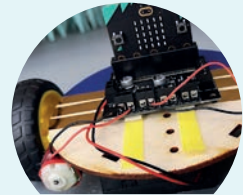


Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 1st July	11:00am – 1:00pm Ages: 9 – 12 years
Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 8th July	11:00am – 1:00pm Ages: 13 – 16 years

To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.

Build a Remote-Controlled Buggy

In this workshop you will work in pairs to build a remote-controlled buggy, as well as gain an understanding about how radio signals and accelerometers are used to control it remotely.



Fingal Makerspace, Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 15th July	11:00am – 1:30pm Ages: 10 – 13 years
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To reserve a space, please follow the QR code at the top of the page.



Regular Events at your Local Fingal Library

Discover a fabulous range of recurring events at your local library – from reading and language groups and sensory quiet time, to activities to keep the children busy, we're sure we have an event to inspire you! Contact your local library for more information about these events!

Balbriggan Library

Scrabble Club meet every Monday at 11:00am

Turret Writer's Group meet every Monday at 3:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time every Monday 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All welcome.

Knitting and Crochet Club meet every Monday at 6:00pm

Baby Book Club & Toddler Time meet the first Wednesday of each month suitable for babies & kids up to school age

Ukrainian Meetup Group meet every Saturday 11:00am to 1:00pm

Baldoye Library

Free English classes for Ukrainians meet every Monday 10:00am to 12:00pm

University of the Third Age (U3A) meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 10:30am

'The Lounge Lizards' host a sing along session of well-known tunes on the first and third Saturday of every month. All adults welcome.

Baldoye Women's Circle enjoy meditation, journaling, breath work and oracle card readings and meet fortnightly on Mondays at 6:30pm

Baldoye Crafters meet on the 3rd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 10.30am to 12.30pm. All adults welcome.

Library Storytime for Children meet the last Thursday of every month at 4:00pm

Chess Club meet every Thursday 6:00pm – 7:30pm, beginners welcome, adults only.

Movie Evening meet once a month, contact the library for the next date and time.

Blanchardstown Library

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Monday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All welcome.

Peaceful Playtime for 4 - 12 year olds meet every Wednesday at 2:00pm - 4:00pm for Summer months

Parent & Toddler Group meet every Thursday from 11:00am to 12.30pm

Storytime for children aged 4 - 8 years old meet every Thursday at 3:00pm

Baby Book Club meet every third Tuesday of the month from 11.30am

Donabate Library

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Monday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. All welcome.

Monday Evening Book club meet on the last Monday of the month from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Chinkwell Writers Group meet every second Saturday from 11.00am to 1.00pm

Knitting Group meet every Thursday from 11:00am to 1:00pm

Young Adult Book Club meet on a Saturday once a month from 2:00pm

Garristown Library

Chess Club for Kids (age 7+) meet every Monday and Tuesday afternoon from 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Storytime for Kids (age 3 - 7 years) meet every Wednesday from 3:45pm to 4:30pm

English conversation classes for Ukrainian adults meet every Wednesday from 1:45pm to 3:45pm

Scrabble Club for Kids (7 - 12 years) meet every Thursday from 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm . All welcome.

Junior Readers Book Club (8 - 12 years) meet on the last Wednesday of every month from 3:45pm to 4:45pm

Smart Phone and Tablet Classes meet every Wednesday at 5:45pm - 7:45pm

Howth Library

To be notified of events at Howth Library, please contact Howth Library and ask to be added to their mailing list. Contact details at back of brochure.



Malahide Library

Ukrainian Meetup Group meet every Monday from 2:00pm to 3:00pm

German Conversation Group meet specific Mondays at 6:30pm

French Conversation Group for improvers meet every Monday at 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All welcome.

Toddler Time every Thursday morning from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Spanish Conversation Group meet every Thursday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm

A variety of **Adult Book Clubs** and an afternoon and evening **Film Club**

Age Action meet every Thursday from 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Rush Library

Quilting Club meets every Tuesday morning from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Baby & Toddler Book Club meet every second Thursday from 10:00am to 11:00am

Meet Me at The Altar meet once a month, contact the library to find out the next date & time.

Skerries Library

Skerries Library has moved to a new temporary location on Church Street, Skerries. Please contact the staff at Skerries Library for more details on forthcoming events.

Swords Library

Baby & Toddler Book Club meet every second Tuesday at 10:30am

Sensory Quiet Time every Thursday 6:30pm and 7:30pm. All welcome.

Spanish Beginners Class meet every Friday from 10:00am – 12:00pm

Spanish Improvers Class meet every Thursday from 10:00am – 12:00pm

Computer Class meet every Thursday at 10:00am – 1:00pm

Cá bhfuil mo leabharlann is cóngaraí? Where is my nearest library?

Balbriggan	01 870 4401	balbrigganlibrary@fingal.ie
Baldoyle	01 890 6793	baldoylelibrary@fingal.ie
Blanchardstown	01 890 5560	blanchlibrary@fingal.ie
Donabate	01 890 5609	donabate.library@fingal.ie
Garristown	01 835 5020	garristownlibrary@fingal.ie
Howth	01 890 5026	Howth.library@fingal.ie
Malahide	01 870 4430	malahidelibrary@fingal.ie
Rush	01 870 8414	rushlibrary@fingal.ie
Skerries	01 890 5671	skerrieslibrary.library@fingal.ie
Swords	01 890 5582	swordslibrary@fingal.ie
Mobile Library Service	01 890 6719	mobile.libraries@fingal.ie
Housebound Library Service	01 860 4290	housebound.library@fingal.ie
Local Studies and Archives	01 870 4486	Local.Studies@fingal.ie

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