

News & Events

Nov-Dec 2022

Note: This is an abridged events listing. More details found at libraries.dlrcoco.ie and eventbrite.ie

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Join us in November for Science Week events for schools, workshops for children with additional needs, a series of talks on Dementia and Creativity, school events with author and illustrator Paddy Donnelly, a series of Inventors' Club workshops, Healthy Ireland nutrition talks for parents with young children and some Christmas craft workshops ahead of December.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Creative Art workshops for children with additional needs



Sat 5 Nov, 1.00-1.45pm, 2.30-3.15pm & 3.45-4.45pm

dlr Lexicon Studio (next to INK café)

All ages welcome

Booking required:

email libraryculture@dlrcoco.ie

Join Laura & Lucinda from QuaintBabyArt. com for creative art workshops tailored to children with additional needs/ neurodivergence. We'll have lots of messy, colourful fun creating freestyle art on canvas and exploring several other crafts with things like paint and clay. One adult guardian is required to attend with a child/ children and can feel free to join in the fun. Old clothes that can get paint on them are recommended. We will also have an area with a selection of sensory toys and equipment should children need time and space to self-regulate.

Starting Your Baby on Solids with Paediatric Dietician Jenny McNulty

Thurs 10 Nov, 6.30pm Online via Zoom

Booking required via eventbrite.ie

Are you confused about baby-led weaning or starting with purees? Do you need to know more about when to start solids? Would you like to ask questions about commercial baby food? Get answers to these questions and many more in this online session facilitated by Paediatric Dietician Jenny McNulty who has worked with 100s of families over the past 15 years.

Fussy Eating &
Feeding Your Toddler
with Paediatric
Dietician
Jenny McNulty

Thurs 17 Nov, 6.30pm Online via Zoom



This session is for you if you have a 1-5 year old and would like to know more about helping them enjoy food and eat what you eat. Get answers to these questions and many more in this online session facilitated by Paediatric Dietician Jenny McNulty who has a wealth of experience on this subject.





dlr Libraries NEWS & EVENTS

Dance with Olwyn Lyons

Fri 11 November, 11.00am-12.30pm **Cabinteely Library**



dlr Libraries and dlr Arts office are delighted to present a series of events for carers, taking place across our libraries. Join dance artist Olwyn Lyons for dementia-inclusive dance sessions to support physical, social health and wellbeing. Build your confidence by experiencing exercises and fun dance movements to increase strength and balance. Chat and dance together, either seated or standing.

Inventors' Club Workshop series

Sat 12, 19, 26 November & 3, 10 December (5-week course) 10.00-11.30am For 7-9yrs • 12.00-1.30pm For 10yrs + 5 weeks of workshops every Saturday

from 12 November to 10 December. Children must be able to attend all sessions.

dlr Lexicon Lab, Level 3

Booking required through eventbrite.ie

The workshops for children 7-9yrs are designed to expose children to a variety of coding technologies: animation, building with cardboard, learning about circuits, making games and code in Minecraft. The workshops for children 10yrs+ are created to expose children to a variety of technologies: creating arcade games, Python art, Al, motor circuits and simple machines. Each week is a surprise!



email cabinteelylib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 285 5363

Musician Eamon Sweeney will delight with this dementiainclusive music session, fostering meaningful engagement, connection and stimulation.

This is not intended as a music class; sit back and relax, meet other carers and have a cup of tea. Listen, hum or sing along - as you feel comfortable.



Film Club for Adults

Thurs 17 Nov & 15 Dec, 5.30pm **Blackrock Library**

Booking required: email blackrocklib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 288 8117

Join us to watch a classic or undiscovered gem followed by a group discussion. Contact library staff for more information. Festive Pottery Painting for Kids with Crazy Glazing

Sat 26 Nov, 10.00-11.15am Dalkey Library

Ages 7yrs+

Booking required: email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 285 5277

Join us for a festive session painting ornaments with Siobhán of Crazy Glazing. Afterwards, Siobhán will glaze our ornaments for us for collection in plenty of time for Christmas!



LEGO Family Time

Sat 19 Nov & Sat 17 Dec 10.30-12.30pm Blackrock Library Booking required: email blackrocklib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 288 8117





Shine a light on books and reading, with Mary Burnham



Tues 15 Nov, 6.30pm-8.00pm. Shankill Library Booking required: email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 282 3081

Mary Burnham, drawing on her long experience with book clubs and writing groups, will discuss all things reading, including how to choose a good book, when to give up on a book you're not enjoying and getting back your reading mojo.



Christmas Collage for Adults with Nicola Faull

Sat 26 Nov 10.30am-12.00pm Shankill Library

Booking required: email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 282 3081

Using mixed media and techniques such as ink and basic gel printing, you will create a wonderful Christmas collage scene to decorate your home or a homemade Christmas card.

Dementia and Creativity Awareness Talk Series: Music and Movement

Wed 30 Nov, 11.00am-1.30pm Municipal Gallery, Level 3, dlr LexIcon Booking required via eventbrite.ie

Explore the positive impacts of music and movement for people living with dementia in this fascinating talk and performance with Global Brain Health Institute Fellows Mike Hanrahan, Dr Aline Haas, Dr Anusha Mohan and Dancer Olwyn Lyons. Karen Meenan from the Global Brain Health Institute will lead this talk series each Wednesday from the 30 Nov - 14 Dec. Funded by Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme 2022. This is the first talk in this series, part of DLRCC's 'Framing the Senses Dementia-Inclusive Creative Programme'.



EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS

Our Place in Space with Mark the Science Guy



Mon 7 Nov, 10.00 -11.00am & 11.30am-12.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Join Physicist and TV presenter, Mark the Science Guy, for the ultimate exploration of our place in space, with this interactive, high-energy, fun-filled show exploring our unique planet, our wonderful solar system and the science of rockets!

Make Mini Rockets

Friday 18 Nov, 9.45-10.45am & 11.00am-12.00pm LexIcon Lab, Level 3

Suitable for ages 8yrs+

Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Join us to make very simple but highly effective mini rockets that can be launched over 30 feet! The class will explore energy, distance and more in this exciting and fun experiment.

Creative Waste Reuse

Tues 29 & Wed 30 Nov, 10.00-11.30am Suitable for Junior Infants-6th class. Max 30.

Lexicon Lab, Level 3

Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Introduces the concept of waste reuse and includes a wide range of hands-on arts and crafts activities reusing waste materials such as fabric, scrap paper, food cans and tetra paks.

Make a Magnetic Movable Monster

Mon 14 Nov 9.45-10.45am & 11.00am-12.00pm Lexicon Lab, Level 3 Suitable for ages 8yrs+

Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Have your students cut, colour and build their own monster!

Add magnets and joints so it can move and stick to metal objects. Get the children to see what the monster will stick to with the magnets.



Engineering with the Rediscovery Centre

Tues 22 & Wed 23 Nov, 10.00-11.30am



Lexicon Lab, Level 3

Suitable for 3rd-6th class. Max 30.

Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Introduces engineering concepts and processes, types of engineering, and illustrates how engineering is an essential part of our lives. The hands-on activities develop mathematical thinking, problem-solving skills, and spatial awareness, and help foster an interest in engineering. The activities include a range of engineering challenges from K'Nex constructions to building an earthquake proof house.

Energy with the Rediscovery Centre

Thurs 24 & Mon 28 Nov, 10.00-11.30am
LexIcon Lab, Level 3
Suitable for 2nd-6th class. Max 30.
Booking required:

Teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Introduces the topic of energy, renewable vs. non-renewable sources and energy use in Ireland and includes discussion of types of energy. Various activities are used to explore energy and its application, such as making a water wheel, solar oven or a wind turbine.

EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS

Paddy Donnelly - Dodos Are Not Extinct!

Wed 30 November

10.00-11.00am & 11.15am-12.15pm

Online Via Zoom

Junior Infants to First Class

Booking required:

Teachers should email

librarybookings@dlrcoco.ie

Psst! Hey you! Can you keep a secret? Dodos are NOT extinct! In fact, if you look extra closely, you might be able to spot other extinct animals like woolly mammoths, sabre-toothed tigers, and even dinosaurs! These famous creatures are in disguise everywhere, so keep your eyes peeled! You never know who might be right under your nose. Award-winning author illustrator Paddy Donnelly will read from his book, show you how to draw characters from the book and start a discussion about extinct animals. He'll also answer any questions about being a picture book author illustrator.



Thurs 1 December 10.00-11.00am & 11.15am-12.15pm

Online Via Zoom

Junior Infants to First Class

Booking required:

Teachers should email librarybookings@dlrcoco.ie

Rory's dad, Fox, is a tailer. The BEST in the business! Animals come from all over to have their tails made by him. Rory helps his dad in the shop and one of his jobs is measuring the customers for the tails - which isn't always easy! But Rory is bored of making the same old tails. He has his own amazing ideas...

This school event is filled with animals, imagination and lots of doodling as kids create their own tails!

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Join us in December for Family Time at your Library events, Christmas cardmaking and other crafty and festive workshops, the continuation of our series of talks on dementia and creativity, plus a concert of Carols by the wonderful SuperTones Children's Choir.



FAMILY TIME AT YOUR LIBRARY

Family events and activities take place in all our libraries during the month of December to support the involvement of the whole family in children's reading and storytelling. Part of the national Right to Read programme, the aim is to support a family-focused approach to reading with children and to increase awareness of the benefits of reading as a fun, recreational activity for children.

Highlights include the visit of author Ashwin Chacko to Dundrum Library on 3 Dec and to dlr Lexlcon on 10 December. We're delighted to welcome back the wonderful Wayne O'Connor on 10 December when he will be visiting Blackrock and Deansgrange Libraries. Simone Schuemmelfeder from Storygate joins us in Shankill and Blackrock on 14 December for what promises to be some fun-filled adventures with puppets. Watch out for the Library Treasure Hunt around Stillorgan Shopping Centre too. And did we mention Cool Food in Dundrum, and Winter Card Making in Dalkey and Cabinteely Libraries?

Full details and booking arrangements will be available via our social media channels and on our website so do follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

DECEMBER EVENTS

Festive Painted Pottery for Adults

Thurs 1 Dec, 6.00pm-7.15pm Dalkey Library

Booking required: email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie

Join us for a festive pottery painting session with Siobhán Brennan of Crazy Glazing. We will be painting festive ornaments which Siobhán will be glazing for us after the event for collection in plenty of time for Christmas.



Christmas Card Printmaking for Adults, with White Doodle Art

Friday 2 Dec, 10.30am-12.00pm

Shankill Library

Booking required: email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or phone (01) 282 3081

Join Susie Fortune and make your own beautiful bespoke Christmas cards. Learn about composition, printing and stamping techniques and come away with unique, handmade Christmas Cards.

Festive Card-Making Workshop

Sat 3 Dec, 11.00am- 12:30pm

Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 6yrs+ with an Adult

Booking required: email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie to confirm the attendance of 1 parent and 1 child

Join us for a festive workshop for parents/guardians to create cards with their child. No prior experience required, just bring along your creativity and make some wonderfully wintery cards!



Creative Christmas Room with White Doodle Art Sat 3 Dec, 10.00-11.00am & 11.30am-12.30pm

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Sat 3 Dec. 1.00-2.00pm

*Open session. All families welcome

Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon (next to INK café)

All ages welcome

Booking required: email libraryculture@dlrcoco.ie



Join White Doodle art and their wonderful Doodlers for this Creative Christmas Room with different workstations set up. Using mixed media, create a Christmas Picture with paint sticks and collage. Print stamp and stencil your very own personalised Christmas card as well as geli plate printmaking.

dlr Libraries will also have an area set up with a selection of sensory toys and equipment should children need time to self-regulate, there will be space and time to do so.





EVENT FOR SCHOOLS

'Let's Find Out' with Mark the Science Guy

Mon 5 Dec, 10.00-11.00 am & 11.30am -12.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon, (next to INK café) Suitable for 3rd-6th Class Booking required:



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Scientist and TV Presenter, Mark the Science Guy, will host an interactive, fun-filled, energetic display of awesome science experiments. There'll be whizzes, pops, booms and plenty of laughter in this hilarious show featuring rockets, cannons, gravity-defying stunts and much more!

Dementia and Creativity Awareness Talk Series: Storytelling and Singing

Wed 7 Dec, 11.00am-1.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon (beside INK Café) Booking required via eventbrite.ie

Explore the positive impacts of storytelling and singing for people living with dementia in this fascinating talk and performance with world-renowned poet and member of Aosdána, Tony Curtis, and composer and musical director of the Forget-Me-Nots Choir, Norah Constance Walsh.

Dementia & Creativity Awareness Talk: Visualising & Connecting

Wed 14 Dec, 11.00am-1.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon (beside INK Café) Booking required via eventbrite.ie

Join artist, teacher and writer Caroline Hyland and Kevin Quaid, author of two books about his experiences of living with Lewy Body Dementia in this final talk of the series about dementia and creativity.

Funded by Creative Ireland's Creativity in Older Age Programme 2022. This is the third and final talk in this series, part of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's 'Framing the Senses' Dementia-Inclusive Creative Programme. Christmas Carols with

The SuperTones Children's Choir

Thurs 15 Dec, 6.00pm Blackrock Library All welcome

We are delighted to welcome back the amazing SuperTones this December!

Let us kickstart your Christmas with this wonderful choir and their Musical Director Julie Stanley.

The SuperTones Childrens' Choir is a fun and diverse musical group open to all.

Christmas T-Shirt Printing with Ryan Paetzold

Sat 10 Dec, 1.30pm-4.30pm dlr Lexlcon, Level 3, Room 1 Suitable for 9 - 12 yrs Children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the workshop



Booking required via eventbrite.ie

Blank t-shirts will be supplied. Come work with Ryan and create your own festive t-shirt for Christmas!

Small Wonders with Púca Puppets

Mon 12 Dec 10.30am & 12.00pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon (beside INK Café) Suitable for ages 0-2yrs Booking required:



email libraryculture@dlrcoco.ie

Join Púca Puppets for 'Small Wonders'- an interactive early years multisensory performance all about nature.







dlr Libraries: Our resources and services

To find out more about our Clubs and Groups, our ASC [Accessible Services Collection], Reader Pens, Acorn Tablets, Home Energy Saving Kits, Book Sets and all our online resources, call in and chat to a member of staff, visit our website at libraries.dlrcoco.ie, sign up for our fortnightly ebulletin on our website, and follow us on social media.









Contact your local dlr Library:

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Christmas and New Year arrangements

dlr Libraries and dlr LexIcon will be closed from Saturday 24 December to Monday 2 January inclusive. All Libraries will re-open as normal on Tuesday 3 January 2023.

During this time, our online services are available 24/7; all you need is your library card and PIN.

My Open Library (MOL) hours will be available in Deansgrange and Dalkey Libraries. **You must register for this service in advance with library staff**





