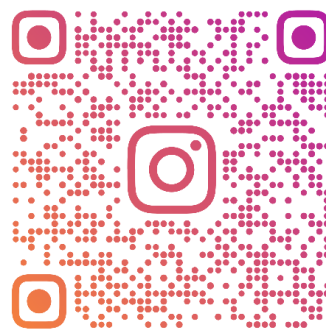




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Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

25 September 2026

For information on services and supports for children, young people and families see [Wexford CYPSC](#)

For information on parenting supports and programmes, see [Wexford Parents Hub](#) or access on [Facebook](#)



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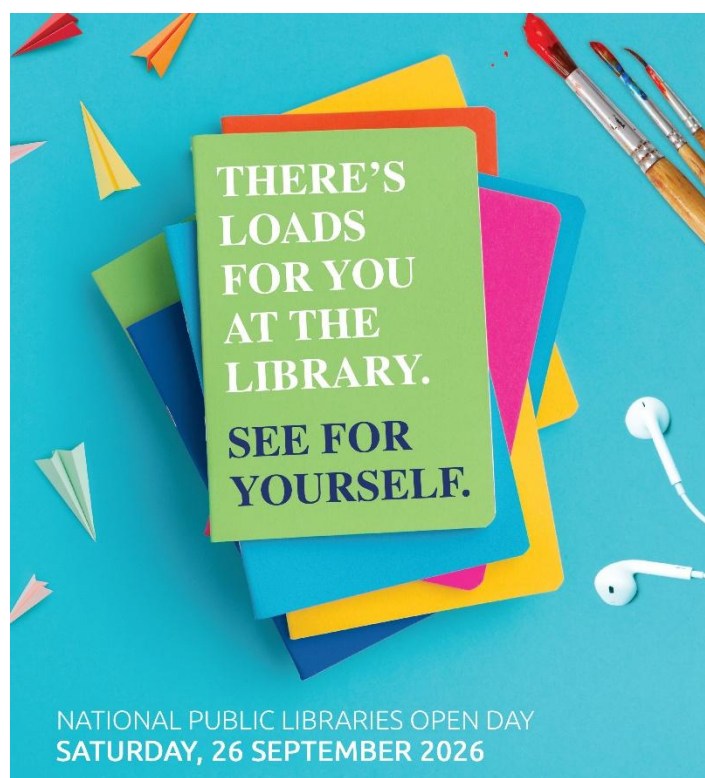
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EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS

► National Public Libraries Open Day - Take a Closer Look!



National Public Libraries Open Day takes place on Saturday 26 September 2026, inviting people across Ireland to visit their local library, discover the benefits of free membership and take a closer look at everything their library has to offer.

Everyone is welcome so drop in to any of our branches in **Buncclody, Enniscorthy, Gorey, New Ross or Wexford Town Library** and let our space become your place!

Library membership is **free** and gives you access to a wide range of services and opportunities, from books, eBooks and eAudiobooks to learning resources, events, creative activities, online courses, language-learning resources, public computers and Wi-Fi, and welcoming spaces in your community.

Wexford Public Library Service join libraries across Ireland hosting events, activities, demonstrations and exhibitions for people of all ages, highlighting the many ways libraries support reading, learning, creativity, wellbeing and community connection.

If you are not yet a member, **Public Libraries Open Day** is the perfect opportunity to visit your local library, meet the staff, explore the services available and find out how to join.

If you are already a member, come along and "**Take a Closer Look**", you may discover something new, including services and resources you have never used before.

See what's on in your local branch: [What's on in my Library? | Wexford County Council](#)

Come along to...

Wexford Library

National Public Libraries Open Day



What was the library like long ago?
Come along to Wexford Library for National Public Libraries Open Day for a special exhibition: Wexford Library Through the Years

 **Saturday 26th September**
10.30am - 5.30pm

 Comhairle Contae
Loch Garman
Wexford
County Council

► Kinship Care Week October 5th-9th



Kinship Care Week

October 5th-9th





WHAT IS KINSHIP CARE?

Kinship care is when children are raised by relatives or close family friends.

Keeping children connected to family, community and identity.



10,000-12,000

children in Ireland are growing up in kinship care.

This Global Kinship Care Week 2026, let's celebrate the families who make that possible and create a system that supports them.

This Kinship Care Week, we're celebrating kinship families and calling for the support they deserve.

SCAN FOR MORE

Find resources, local supports and ways to support kinship families in the community.





Raising the child of a loved one?

You are a KINSHIP CARER.



treoir

Building Resilience, Shaping Futures - All Types of Families



WHAT IS KINSHIP CARE?

Kinship care is when a child is raised full-time by grandparents, relatives or close family friends because their parents are unable to care for them.

Kinship care keeps children connected to their family, community and identity.



KINSHIP CARE IRELAND CAN HELP WITH:

- ✓ Know your rights and entitlements
- ✓ Help accessing financial supports (Guardian's Payment etc)
- ✓ Support navigating services
- ✓ Peer support groups



CONTACT US

Call: 01 6700 120
www.kinshipcare.ie
info@kinshipcare.ie



SCAN FOR MORE

Find resources, local supports and ways to support kinship families in the community.



Kinship Care Ireland is a National Programme of the charity Treoir
Treoir is a company limited by guarantee; company number 82321, Charity number: CHY 8877. Treoir is also registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority, Ireland's national statutory regulatory agency for charitable organisations. Charity Registration Number: 20022211

TUSLA
Ireland's Child & Family Agency

► Barnardos Big Breakfast 2026



Get ready to make a big difference – with breakfast! Barnardos Big Breakfast is an exciting new fundraising campaign where you can turn your morning coffee, croissants, or cornflakes into a meaningful way to support vulnerable children in Ireland.

Whether you're an early riser or brunch lover, a business, school, club, or community group, everyone can get involved. Simply host a breakfast, coffee morning, or bake sale – at home, at work, in your local hall or even virtually – and help to raise money to support Barnardos' work with vulnerable children, families and individuals.

You'll have heard it from an early age that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, particularly for children. A nutritious breakfast can help them to get the nutrients needed for growth and development, reduce hunger and support learning. It provides the fuel to get up and go in the morning! Barnardos Breakfast Clubs, in our Early Years services and in schools, provide children with a warm, nutritious breakfast to help set them up for the day of learning ahead.

Every bite you share helps to fill a child's tummy so they can grow strong and healthy; and helps provide children with the essentials they need to thrive.

[Sign up to host your Big Breakfast today and help change the story for vulnerable children.](#)

[Register](#)

#BarnardosBigBreakfast

WEBINARS & TRAINING

► Tipperary Parent Hub webinar - Understanding and Supporting Executive Functioning Skills for Children with Dr. Áine O'Dea



Free Webinars for Parents

Understanding and Supporting Executive Functioning Skills for Children with Dr. Áine O'Dea

Join us on the 01st October from 11:00am to 12:30pm

for a relaxed and practical online workshop where we'll share simple tips and strategies to help strengthen these skills at home and at school. Whether your child needs a boost with daily routines or extra guidance with planning and self-regulation, this session is for you!

What is Executive Functioning:

- Staying focused
- Managing emotions
- Getting organised
- Managing their time
- Remembering instructions



Scan the QR code for more info:



► Understanding ADHD in Young People: ADHD Ireland Training Webinar



Understanding ADHD in Young People: Connection, Regulation & Positive Support

Practical strategies for youth workers supporting ADHD strengths, challenges, and wellbeing.

Adolescence brings increased demands on independence, relationships, emotional regulation, motivation, and decision-making - demands that can be particularly challenging for young people with ADHD. This specialist ADHD Ireland webinar helps youth workers look beyond behaviour to understand what's driving it, and build confidence, engagement, and positive outcomes.

Young people with ADHD are often creative, energetic, and resilient. Without the right understanding and support, though, they can be at greater risk of disengagement, strained peer relationships, and reduced participation.

This session gives you the tools to change that.

What you'll learn:

- ADHD myths, and understanding ADHD in adolescence: executive functioning, impulsivity, attention, motivation
- Beyond behaviour: emotional regulation, rejection sensitivity, anxiety, self-esteem
- Practical youth work strategies: communication, engagement, group participation, supporting independence
- ADHD Ireland supports & signposting

Choose your date:

 Wednesday 30 September 2026, 10:00 - 11:30am

or

 Wednesday 3 March 2027, 10:00 - 11:30am

 Cost: €25 per person (group bookings €300. Contact terri@adhdireland.ie)

[Book Your Place](#)



**Understanding ADHD
in Young People**

Topic:
Practical strategies for youth
workers supporting ADHD strengths,
challenges, and wellbeing

When:

- Wed 30th Sept 10-11:30am
- Wed 3rd March 2027 10-11:30am

€25pp

Please contact terri@adhdireland.ie for
discounts on group bookings



This session is suitable for youth workers, youth service providers, community organisations, youth justice services, programme coordinators, and anyone working with young people across Ireland.

Know a student, colleague, or institution who'd benefit? Please forward this on.

If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch through
education@adhdireland.ie.

► Helium: FREE Online Autumn workshops



Inspiring life through art

Please see below details for our FREE Online Autumn workshops for children and young people with long-term physical health conditions.

Online Workshops

Distance Creates Winter Saturdays – Online(Ages 6–8)

Workshop Dates: 7, 14, 21, 28 November, 5, 12 December

Workshop Times: 09:30-10:30am New activity every Saturday – do it anytime!

Distance Creates Winter Saturdays – Online(Ages 9–12)

Workshop Dates: 7, 14, 21, 28 November, 5, 12 December

Workshop Times: 11:00-12noon New activity every Saturday – do it anytime!

Youth Online Autumn Camp – Online (Ages 13-16)

Workshop Dates: 27, 29, 31 October

Workshop Times: AM: 10:00 - 11:30 AM: 12:30 - 14:30

[Book your ONLINE space HERE!](#)

INFORMATION/RESOURCES

► **Helium: You asked- we listened! New Updated Professional Referral Pathway!**



Inspiring life through art

We have made some changes to our professional referral form from the valuable feedback we have received from professionals over the last number of months to help support those who need it most.

Referrals can be made by healthcare workers, artists, community workers, consultants, G.P's, nurses, youth worker, social workers and support workers.

[Make a professional referral to Helium here!](#)

If you know a young person you would like to refer but feel there may be barriers to participation, please don't hesitate to reach out.

► New STAR resources available in Wexford Libraries



Wexford Libraries is delighted to announce the arrival of the following See and Learn Speech, Language and Reading sets:

- ✓ **See and Learn Speech Sounds**
- ✓ **See and Learn Combining Sounds**
- ✓ **See and Learn Saying Words 1**
- ✓ **See and Learn Saying Words 2**
- ✓ **See and Learn Saying Words 3**
- ✓ **See and Learn Vocabulary 1**
- ✓ **See and Learn Vocabulary 2**
- ✓ **See and Learn Vocabulary 3**
- ✓ **See and Learn Phrases 1**
- ✓ **See and Learn Phrases 2**
- ✓ **See and Learn Phrases 3**

These resources are available to borrow for free from all library branches and mobile libraries with a STAR membership card.

STAR cards can be obtained from your local library, or mobile library in County Wexford.



LITERACY

► WLR interview: Edel Finan, Regional Literacy Coordinator and Maurice Sammon, Literacy Ambassador



Maurice Sammon, Literacy Ambassador, and Edel Finan had the pleasure of joining Damien Tiernan for a discussion on WLR FM about literacy.

The interview has been made available as a short MP4 recording, which you can access here: [WLR FM interview: Edel Finan, Regional Literacy Coordinator and Maurice Sammon, Literacy Ambassador.](#)

Many thanks to Maurice for sharing his story and to the WLR FM team for hosting the conversation on International Literacy Day 2026.



International Literacy Day 2026

WLR FM Interview: Edel Finan, Regional Literacy Coordinator & Maurice Sammon, Literacy Ambassador





A sincere thank you to the team at WLR FM for the warm welcome and for facilitating such a worthwhile conversation.

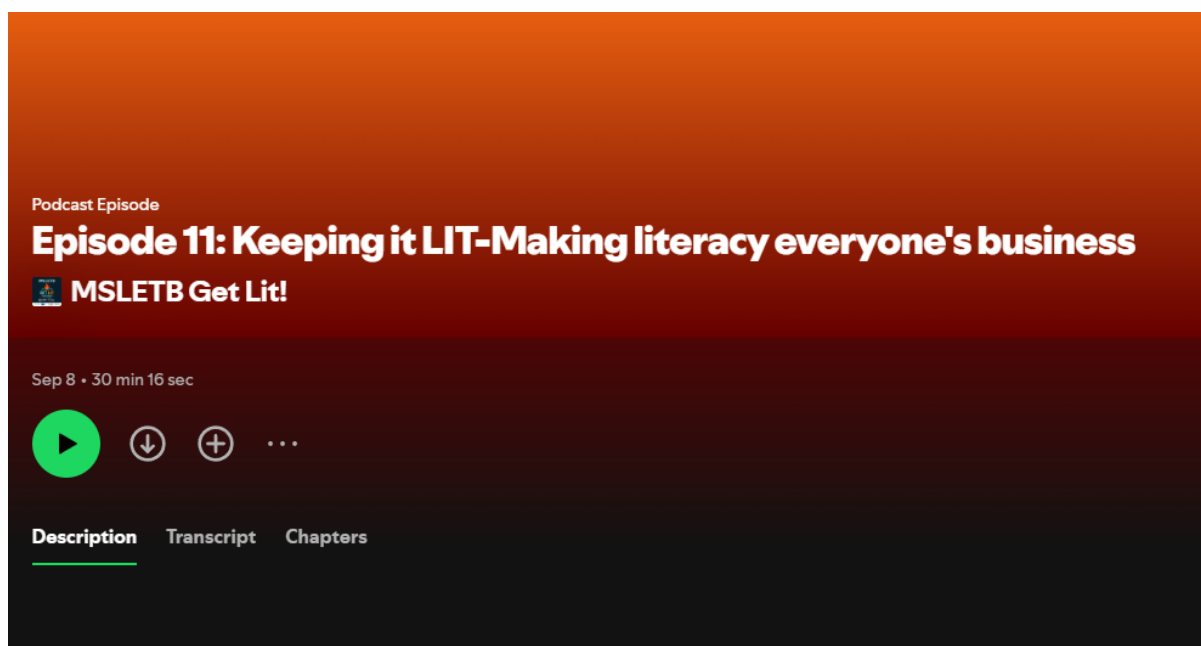
For courses in Waterford and Wexford ETB
call: 085 856 7164, email: literacyhelp@wwetb.ie or visit www.wwetb.ie

► International Literacy Day Podcast



Take 30 minutes today to listen to this podcast, and share with your friends and colleagues.

[GetLit Podcast: Keeping it lit, making literacy everyone's business](#)



► Family Literacy Community of Practice



Family Literacy Community of Practice

Collaboration

In 2025, Adult Literacy for Life (ALL), SETU and NALA collaborated under the guidance and direction of Dr Lána McCarthy, SETU, to develop a Family Literacy Community of Practice (FL CoP). The FL CoP continues to grow and develop, meeting four times per year under the chair of Adult Literacy for Life (ALL), connecting practitioners and researchers from Ireland and internationally.

Who can attend?

The Family Literacy Community of Practice is open to all, family literacy practitioners and educators, HSCLs, teachers, community organisations – anyone who has an interest in Family Literacy

Topic

Everyday talk matters

Supporting practitioners to empower parents to support oral language development in the home.

Presenters

- **SMILE Project** (Supporting Multilingual and Intercultural Learning in the Early Years) Limerick with Dr Hadjar Hammadi and Dr Aoife Gallagher
- **Learning to Talk** HSE Speech and Language Therapists and ABC Start Right, Limerick with Suzanne Reilly, Senior SLT
- **Me & you Storytime** ABC Start Right, Bedford Row Family Support Project, and Limerick Prison with Tom Costelloe, Senior SLT

Next session

Wednesday 30 September 2026

1.15pm to 2.15pm

via Teams

Contact:

Helen Walsh, Family Literacy Lead
helen.walsh@solas.ie

Register here



REPORTS

► Publication of Ireland's Second European Child Guarantee Interim Report



An Roinn Leanaí, Míchumais
agus Comhionannais
Department of Children,
Disability and Equality



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Ireland's Second European Child Guarantee Interim Report

2024-2025

[ECG interim report 2024-2025 EN.pdf](#)

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An Dara Tuarascáil ar Dhul Chun Cinn maidir leis an Ráthaíocht Eorpach do Leanaí in Éirinn 2024-2025

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RECRUITMENT

► FDYS - Youth Worker and Project Worker Recruitment



To support the development of our
Youth and Community Work
FDYS invites applications for the following opportunities:

YOUTH WORKER

For Community Based Drugs Initiative
(Full Time)

YOUTH WORKERS

Rosslare Municipal District
(Part Time, Oct to Dec 2026)

SESSIONAL YOUTH WORKERS

(Part Time, Hourly rate)

CBDI PROJECT WORKER

Rosslare Municipal District
(Full Time)

Application form and job specification are available from
Kieran Donohoe, Chief Executive, FDYS CLG, Francis Street, Wexford.
Tel: (053) 91 23262. Email: fdyswexford@gmail.com

Closing date for **completed application form** and CV is
Midday, Thursday 01 October, 2026 and should be returned to
FDYS CLG, Francis Street, Wexford. Applications received after this date
cannot be considered. Application evaluation and shortlisting
for interview on Monday 05 October will apply.



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► Traveller and Roma Jobs Coach



Forbairt Áitiúil Loch Garman

Our Values: Respect | Equality | Leadership | Inclusion | Integrity



We've extended the application deadline to next Monday, September 21st at 5pm. Some slight changes to the job description, plus we're readvertising it through our socials.

All support is appreciated in ensuring great people are aware of this brilliant opportunity to work with us on a new programme. Would appreciate if you shared it whatever way possible:

Website: - <https://wld.ie/job-posts/traveller-and-roma-local-employment-initiative-trlei-job-coach/>

- Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/WexfordLocalDevelopment/posts/pfbid06PrJUegdAV86yTeFaRfbqXeV5r6HWwCktS1A4dEU2Fojhh5qWCBzpe8xWyMyB5DQI>
- Instagram:
https://www.instagram.com/p/DdUQGCADmAu/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&stkn=MzRIODBiNWFLZA==
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin>

WEXFORD LIBRARIES

► Wexford Town Library Events



September Events



Seal Rescue Ireland Marine Roadshow - September 26 - 12pm-1pm

We're thrilled to celebrate SDG week and National Public Libraries Open Day by welcoming Seal Rescue Ireland for an interactive and insightful talk about seals and marine conservation at Wexford Library.

Join us for an inspiring talk about seals, the threats that they face and what we can do to protect seals and the marine environment. Learn as they share an exciting presentation showcasing Ireland's Native Seal Species and the journey seal pups take at SRI to recover back into the wild!

You'll discover fascinating facts about Ireland's seal population, the challenges they face, and gain practical sustainability tips to help protect marine life and their ecosystems.

Seal Rescue Ireland is a charity dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of sick, injured, or orphaned seals. As the only Seal Rescue in the Republic of Ireland they have a big responsibility covering a whopping 3100 km of coastline.

Book: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4582883>



Baby Tummy Time, every second Friday - 11.00am-11.45am.

Join us for a Baby Tummy Time session in Wexford Library.

According to the HSE, Tummy time helps to strengthen baby's head, neck, and back muscles. Your baby can begin tummy time as a newborn and continue to do it throughout their first year.

We will provide books for babies and there will also be books on parenting available to borrow. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and babies.

Regular Events



Rhyme Time, every Wednesday, 11.00am-11:30am. Suitable for children aged 0–3

These fun, free and interactive Rhyme Time sessions are perfect for babies and toddlers. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. **No booking required.**



Lego Free Play, every Saturday from 11am-3.00pm. Suitable for children aged 5+

LEGO Freeplay tables available in Wexford Library on our Children's floor area from 11.30am to 3pm. LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. Get Creative! This session is suitable for ages 5yrs +.

No Booking Required. Please note that children must be supervised at all times.



Storytime, every Saturday - 11.00am-11.30am

Join us in Wexford Library every Saturday at 11.00am for lots of Storytime fun!

Suitable for 4 - 7 year olds. **No booking required.**

► Bunclody Library Events



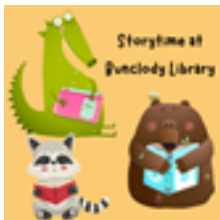
Rhymetime for ages 0 to 5 years - every Wednesday at 11.15am

Join us for Rhymetime every Wednesday when we will have lots of fun nursery rhymes and stories suitable for babies and toddlers followed by a Duplo play session. **No booking required.**



Baby Playtime for ages 0 to 2 years – Friday 2nd October, 11.00am to 12.00pm

Join us for our baby sensory playtime morning. We will provide lots of fun sensory toys and story sacks. Come along and meet other parents and babies in a comfy environment! **No need to book - all welcome!**



Saturday Storytime for ages 3 to 7 years - Saturday 3rd October, 11.00 to

11.40am Join us every Saturday morning at 11.00am for stories perfect for ages 3 to 7 years. No need to book - all welcome!



Lego Free play for ages 4+ - Saturday 3rd October, 2.00 to 3.30pm

Join us for Lego Free Play perfect for ages 4+, we have Duplo and Lego to let the children's creativity shine! No booking required.

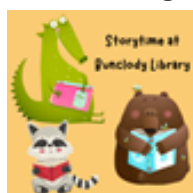


Sensory Friendly Hour

Every Saturday from 4.00 to 5.00pm, sensory friendly hour is observed in Bunclody Library. We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. **No booking required.** All welcome!

Sensory Basket

A sensory basket containing various sensory toys/books available for children to use while visiting the library. Just ask at the desk.



► Enniscorthy Library Events



Interactive Story Time at Enniscorthy Library

Join us in Enniscorthy Library every Saturday at 11am for our Interactive Story Time! Perfect for 3-5 years old but fun for everyone!

All welcome and no booking required.

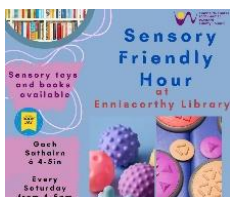


LEGO Free Play at Enniscorthy Library - every Saturday 11.30am-5pm.

Enniscorthy Library invites you and your family to join us for a session of LEGO Free Play, LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. This session is suitable for ages 5+.

Please note we're closed for lunch from 1pm-2pm.

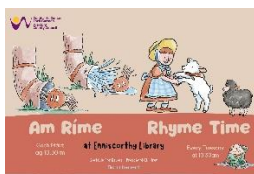
No Booking Required



Sensory Friendly Hour at Enniscorthy Library - Every Saturday from 4-5pm

Sensory Friendly Hour will be observed in Enniscorthy Library.

We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. **No booking required.** All welcome!



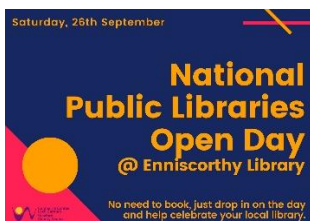
Baby and Toddler Rhyme Time at Enniscorthy Library - every Tuesday at 10.30am

Join us in Enniscorthy Library for songs, stories and rhymes!

Perfect for up to 3 years old but fun for everyone!

Through rhymes children naturally learn essential skills for communicating such as turn-taking and joining in.

All welcome and no booking required.



National Public Library Open Day

Saturday, September 26th

Libraries are open most days but on Saturday 26th of September we are issuing a special invitation to everyone in the country to come in and see everything that's on offer.

Enniscorthy Library will be holding lots of fun events and activities.

As well as that, our library staff will be on hand to show you how your library membership allows you to borrow from 12 million items; get eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines and eNewspapers free and straight to your device, or try free online learning and language classes.

No need to book, just drop in on the day and help celebrate your local library.

All are welcome.

► Gorey Library Events

September Events at Gorey Library:

One-off Adult Events for September:



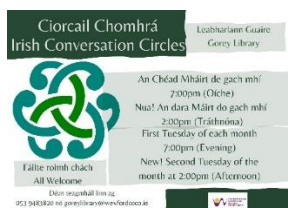
Tea and Teach Banking Apps for Over 55's:

Starting Monday 28th September at 12:00pm

Regular Adult Events



Lifting the Lid Public Piano: First Monday of the Month at 2:30pm



Ciorcal Comhrá: First Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm

AND NEW: Second Tuesday of the Month at 2:00pm



Happy to Chat Coffee Morning: Second Monday of the Month at 11:00am



La Leche League Breastfeeding Support: Second Wednesday of the Month at 10:30am



Gorey Library Film Club: Second Thursday of the Month at 2:30pm



Scrabble Club: Every Tuesday at 7:00pm



Knitting Circle: Every Friday at 11:00am



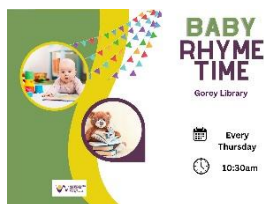
Wordsmiths Writing Group: Every Friday at 2:00pm

Regular Children's Events:



Children's Storytime: Every Tuesday at 11:00am

Age: 3-5

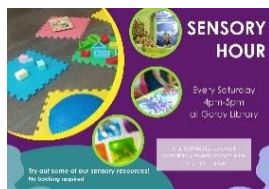


Baby Rhyme Time: Every Thursday at 10:30am

Age: 0-3

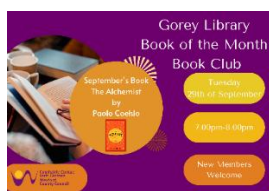


LEGO Freeplay: Every Saturday at 10:30am



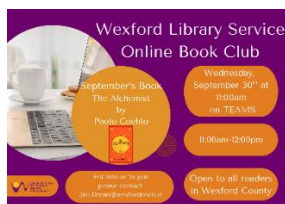
Sensory Hour: Every Saturday at 4:00pm

Adult Book Clubs and Reading Circles:



Book of the Month Book Club:

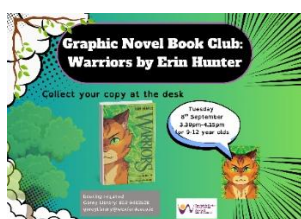
Last Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm



Wexford Library Service Online Book Club:

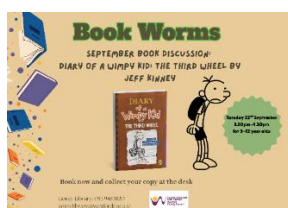
Last Wednesday of the Month at 11:00am

Children's Book Clubs and Discussion Groups:



Graphic Novel Book Discussion: Second Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

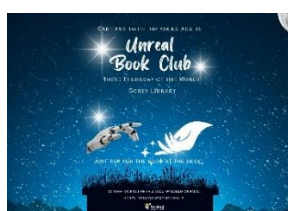
Age: 9-12



Book Worm Book Circle:

Last Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

Age: 9-12



YA Unreal Book Club:

Third Thursday of the Month at 4:30pm

Age: 12-15

► New Ross Events

Kids Events New Ross Library



Baby Rhymetime. – Every Thursday at 11:00.

Join Caroline, Lucija and Sinead at New Ross Library every Thursday for a fun-packed session with lots of stories, rhymes, songs & giggles.

No need to book just come along and have fun!



Library Open Day - Sensory Play and Explore Afternoon

Join us for a hands on Sensory afternoon to celebrate National Public Libraries Open Day on Saturday 26 September. We'll showcase our fantastic sensory collection.

Come along and experience and discover the range of sensory resources available to use in the library and learn about the items you can borrow to enjoy at home.

For families, ages 0-2, 2-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-17.

No need to book just come along and have fun!