



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS WEEK 2024 AT WATERFORD LIBRARIES



## EVENTS



# SDG WEEK 2024 EVENTS



## SDG MABS Drop in Session

Need advice on budgeting or managing your money? Drop in to Dungarvan Library to chat with a Money and Budgeting Advisor from MABS - The Money Advice and Budgeting Service.

All welcome - no need to book.

**Date: Thursday 19th September**

**Time: 4:30pm - 6:30pm**

**Venue: Dungarvan Library**

**Free Event - Booking Not Required**

Contact **Dungarvan Library** on **058 21141** for further information.



## Sustainable Eating with Aoife McDonald

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**Date: Friday 20th September**

**Time: 2:00pm**

**Venue: Lismore Library**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Contact **Lismore Library** on 058 213771 for further information.



## Leave no Trace Workshop

During the workshop, you will learn about the seven Leave No Trace principles with Waterford City and County Council's Environment Department, focusing on practical techniques to minimise your environmental impact while enjoying nature.

**Date: Saturday 21st September**

**Time: 10:30am**

**Venue: Dungarvan Library**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Book Via Eventbrite or Contact **Dungarvan Library** on 058 21141 for further information.



## Go Green with the Tramore Library Team

Go green with your library team – we have garden activities and crafting available for kids! Plus, a great selection of gardening and food books for amazing tips and ideas. This event is supported by the Literacy & Food Education (LEAF) Programme.

**Date: Saturday 21st September**

**Time: 11:30am - 12:30pm**

**Venue: Tramore Library**

**Free Event - No Booking Required**

Contact **Tramore Library** on **051 849594** for more information.



## Tour of the Walled Garden at Mount Congreve and Talk about Food Growing

Join us in the beautiful Mount Congreve Walled Garden for talk on food growing from one of their horticulturalists. Afterwards attendees will be able to explore the rest of the Gardens at their leisure. This event is part of the Literacy & Food Education (LEAF) Programme.

**Date: Wednesday 25th September**

**Time: 11:00am**

**Venue: Mount Congreve Gardens**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Contact **Central Library** on **051 849975** or email **centrallibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie** to book your place.



## Learn a Language with Waterford Libraries

The annual European Day of Languages celebrates linguistic diversity in Europe and promotes language learning. Visit our language learning display at Central Library featuring many of our European Languages. Our display runs from 18th September to 8th October to mark the European Day of Languages 26th September.

**Date: Wednesday 18th September -  
Tuesday 8th October**

**Venue: Central Library**

**Free Event - No Booking Required**



## EU Day of Languages Drop-In Session

European Day of Languages Transparent  
Languages Online Drop-In Session

Learn a language with Waterford Libraries on the European Day of Languages. Pop into our drop-in session on how to use Transparent Languages Online.

**Date: Thursday 26th September**

**Time: 3:00pm**

**Venue: Central Library**

**Free Event - No Booking Required**



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## Sustainability Storytime & Crafts

An extra special butterfly Storytime at Ardkeen Library. Lots of butterfly stories looking at our local ecology with unique, sustainable crafts! Two sessions 11am & 2:30pm, Drop in! Children must be accompanied and supervised by a Parent / Guardian.

**Date: Saturday 28th September**

**Time: 11am & 2:30pm**

**Venue: Ardkeen Library**

**All welcome - suitable for children under 8**



## Sewing Repair Skills Workshops

Learn how to carry out basic repairs, fitting, hems & zips at our libraries with Caroline from Speak in Stitches!

**Date: Friday 4th October**

**Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm**

**Venue: Ardkeen Library**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Contact **Ardkeen Library on 051 849755** to book your place.

**Date: Thursday 10th October**

**Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm**

**Venue: Dungarvan Library**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Contact Dungarvan Library **on 058 41121** to book your place.



## Eco / Nature Printing - Create a beautiful botanical plaster cast

Join us at Kilmacthomas Library to try your hand at nature printing and to create a beautiful botanical plaster cast. In this 2hr workshop you will explore:

- Plaster casing - from rolling out the clay, designing and arranging your foliage and flowers through to casting in a mould.
- Eco/Nature printing - the process of printing with leaves and other found natural materials using oil based ink and a brayer.

All materials will be provided. Adults only.

**Date: Friday 27th September**

**Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm**

**Venue: Kilmacthomas Library**

**Free Event - Booking Required**

Contact **Kilmacthomas Library on 051 294270** to book your place.



## Sewing Repair Skills Workshops (4 Week Course)

Learn how to carry out repairs, fitting, hems and alterations by hand and sewing machine in four weeks. Included in the workshop is; the use of sewing machines, all tools and materials and consumables such as needles and thread. Project supplies will be available to take away after the session.

**Date: Fridays 4th - 25th October**

**Time: 2:00pm - 4:30pm (Weeks 1-3)**

**1:00pm - 5:00pm (Week 4)**

**Venue: Central Library**

**Free Course - Booking Required**

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Creative Communities

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## Exhibition of Anti-Racism Art and Poetry Competition Winners

March is Anti-Racism month in Waterford and Waterford Integration Services in conjunction with Waterford Libraries, Europe Direct Waterford and The Book Centre ran art and poetry competitions for primary and secondary schools across county Waterford. An exhibition of the winning entries will be on display in Central Library from 20th September to 8th October.

**Date: Friday 20th September - Tuesday 8 October**

**Venue: Central Library**

**Free Event - No Booking Required**



## Meet the Portlaw Library Knitters for a natter!

Join the Portlaw Library knitters for a natter on 10.30am Friday 4th October 2024. Learn a new skill and step away from fast fashion. Refreshments provided.

**Date: Friday 4th October**

**Time: 10:30am**

**Venue: Portlaw Library**

**Free Event - No Booking Required**

Contact **Portlaw Library on 051 387402** for more information.



## Borrow Home Energy Kits at your local Library

Did you know that Waterford Libraries offer Home Energy Saving kits which you can check out for free at your local library using your library membership?

These Home Energy Kits allow you to test multiple devices at home, from your fridge to your kettle to see what is using the most energy and what is the most efficient. Ask in your local branch for more information!



## National Public Libraries Open Day - Saturday 28th September.

On Saturday, September 28th, we are celebrating the valuable work of Public Libraries in Ireland and inviting you to 'Take a Closer Look' at your local library. On this day, libraries will be demonstrating some of the wonderful events and services that they offer and everyone is welcome to come in and get involved.

If you can't make it into the library on the day, consider joining your local library service online to make the most of the resources on offer - over 12 million books, eBooks, audiobooks, online courses, games and other items. You can order books from any library to be delivered to your local library for pick up and drop off your returns at any library in Ireland. Membership is free and there are no longer any late fees for items borrowed.

**Your Library - Take a Closer Look!**



## Launch of Ragnall App with the Mayor of Waterford

Waterford Libraries have been working with the Mixed Reality Lab at SETU's Walton Institute to create an Augmented Reality App that allows individuals to position our Library Mascot Ragnall in Realtime in their current location. The app allows Ragnall to be moved around and different animations can be triggered such as Ragnall waving. Individuals can also pop into a photo with the virtual life sized Ragnall. The Metropolitan Mayor of Waterford Cllr Joe Kelly will officially launch the App, followed by a demo by Stephen Barnes from the Walton Institute. All Welcome.

**Date: Saturday 28th September**

**Time: 11:30am**

**Venue: Ardkeen Library**

**All Welcome - No Booking Required**

***The Ragnall AR App was made possible with the support and funding of The Creative Waterford Ireland Programme.***

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## Events for Schools



### Author visits with Kensika Monshengwo

As part of their prize the winners of the Anti-Racism Art and Poetry Competition will be visited by children's book author Kensika Monshengwo. Kensika's book *Okani and the Crocodile Queendom* retells an old African folktale from his childhood in Congo. The tale was passed down to Kensika from his mother and to her from generations past. The book was published in English and 'as Gaeilge' to share African culture in homes in Ireland through Irish. Kensika works as an Intercultural Training Coordinator with the Immigrant Council of Ireland.



### Growing Workshops with Colman Power

Carrickphierish Library will work with local schools to bring practical information on food growing with Colman Power author and organic horticulturist

Organised by Carrickphierish Library. This event is part of the Literacy & Food Education (LEAF) Programme.



## SDG Workshops for TY Students.

Ardkeen Library will work with SLÍ to deliver workshop for Transition Year Students on The SDGs.

SLÍ is a an organisation focused on driving sustainability. We do this through education and inspiring action at a community level.

This event is part of the Literacy & Food Education (LEAF) Programme.



## Look out for out SDG Activity Stations in branches!



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