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Children's Arts & Book Festival
Féile Ealaíon agus Leabhar do Pháistí



7th - 15th October
Our Planet, Our Home
Ár bPláinéad, Ár mBaile



Comhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall
Donegal County Council



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Fáilte go dtí Wainfest 2023

Is mór an t-áthas dúinn Wainfest a chur i láthair, féile bhliantúil Ealaíon agus Leabhar do pháistí ó Chomhairle Contae Dhún na nGall. I mbliana, tá clár speisialta cruthaithe, a bhfuil réimse gníomhaíochtaí agus imeachtaí spreagúla ann, cuireadh an clár le chéile go cúramach chun freastal ar shuimeanna éagsúla ár lucht féachana óg. Ceiliúradh bríomhar ar litríocht agus foghlaim, téann an fhéile ar chúrsa fionnachtana, cruthaitheachta agus iontais. Tá clár cuimsitheach curtha le chéile againn a fhreastalaíonn ar spéiseanna agus cúlraí éagsúla d'intinní óga Dhún an Gall.

Chomh maith le grá a chothú do leabhair, ealaín agus cultúr, is féile í Wainfest atá tiomanta do fhreagracht comhshaoil. Tá Ár bPláinéad, Ár mBaile mar théama don chlár cuimsitheach a threoróidh na daoine óga inár bpobal atá ag iarraidh bealaí a fhiosrú chun cuidiú le hathrú aeráide. I mbliana, tá níos mó ná 100 imeacht beo saor in aisce á chur ar fáil inár gclár do pháistí agus do theaghlaigh.

Tá imeachtaí againn istigh faoi dhíon agus amuigh faoin aer, agus tabharfaidh tú faoi deara go bhfuil cuid acu á sruthú beo ar líne díreach isteach i do sheomra ranga. Tá imeachtaí ar siúl tráthnóna chun eispéireas a thabhairt do theaghlaigh a fhanfaidh leo ar feadh na mblianta atá le teacht. Is é aidhm an chláir seo todhchaí dhearfach a leagan amach dúinn féin agus do na daoine a thagann inár ndiaidh.

Tugann an Roinn Turasoíreachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltacht, Spóirt agus Meán tacaíocht dár bhféile faoi Chlár Deich mBliana na gCuimhneachán 2012-2013, ciste Éire Ildánach 2023-2027 agus ciste Éire Shláintiúil. Gabhaimid ár mbuíochas ó chroí lenár maoinitheoirí, lenár gcomhpháirtithe, comhoibrithe, agus leo siúd ar fad a chuidigh chun ar ár gcumas an fhéile seo a reáchtáil. Tá do chuidiú an-tábhachtach chun glúin de léitheoirí díograiseacha, smaointeoirí samhlaíocha agus foghlaimeoirí fad saoil a chruthú.

Taispeánann an bróisiúr seo na himeachtaí agus na gníomhaíochtaí ar fad atá beartaithe don fhéile. Bheimis an-bhuíoch daoibh ach an bróisiúr seo a scaipeadh i measc leanaí, tuismitheoirí agus oideachasóirí a bhféadfadh spéis a bheith acu freastal ar na himeachtaí.

Coiste Wainfest

Welcome to Wainfest 2023

It is with great delight that we present Wainfest, Donegal County Council's annual Children's Arts and Book Festival. This year's programme features a host of engaging activities and events, carefully curated to cater to the diverse interests of our young audience. A vibrant celebration of literature and learning, the festival embarks on a journey of discovery, creativity, and wonder. From interactive storytelling sessions to fascinating workshops, all conducted by esteemed authors, storytellers, and illustrators, we will deliver an all-inclusive festival which caters to the diverse interests and backgrounds of young minds across Donegal.

In addition to fostering a love for books, art and culture, Wainfest is committed to environmental responsibility. Our Planet, Our Home, is an indication of the festival's emphasis this year on sustainability, and we hope to encourage children to explore new ways to contribute to climate action.

Our festival has more than 100 free events created for children and families. We have events inside and outside, others will be streamed live directly into your classroom, and evening and weekend events for families. All our events will certainly provide an experience that will stay with you for years to come. This is a programme that aims to set out a positive future for ourselves and for the generations that come after ours.

Wainfest is supported by the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media under the Decade of Centenaries Programme 2012-2023, the Creative Ireland Fund 2023-2027 and the Healthy Ireland at Your Library Fund.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our funders, collaborative partners, and all those who have contributed to making this festival possible. Your contribution is instrumental in fostering a generation of enthusiastic readers, imaginative thinkers, and lifelong learners.

This programme highlights the array of scheduled events and activities that will take place during the festival. We kindly urge you to share this brochure with your children, your parents and your teachers and educators.

The Wainfest Committee

Family Events

Imeachtaí Teaghlaigh



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20	Flipbook Animation with John D. Ruddy	Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny

Circus Skills Workshop with In Your Space Circus

F Family Event

Ages: 8-12 | Capacity: 16

Roll up, Roll up! It's time to test your skills and see if YOU have what it takes to run away with the circus! Join the team at In Your Space Circus and try out their selection of super circus skills from plate spinning and juggling, to hula hoop and tight-wire walking! There's something for everyone, young & old!



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
7 October	10:00-12:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	www.wainfest.ie

Author Isla McGuckin April's Garden

F Family Event

Ages: 3-8 | Capacity: 25

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7 October	10:00	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941

Wainfest Lego Workshop

F Family Event

Ages: 4-8 | Capacity: 20

Bundoran Community Library is holding a Lego workshop for kids. We know the importance of family time in the library, so why not join us for a Lego filled day of fun.



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7 October	11:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665

Beach Clean Liquid Therapy

F Family Event

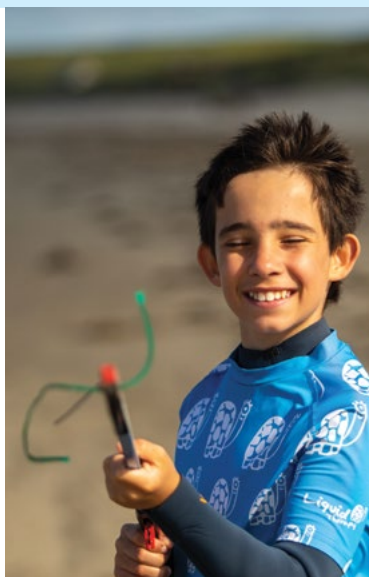
Capacity: 20



Liquid Therapy is a charity based in South Donegal. It provides a range of programmes that connect young people to surfing, the beach and the ocean environment.

As a part of Wainfest, families are invited to take part in their monthly beach clean; a walk along the shores and sand dunes of Rossnowlagh Beach collecting '3 for the Sea' and experience the restorative benefits of spending family time in this amazing blue space!

Meeting Point: Liquid Therapy Surf Centre



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
7 October	10:00	Rossnowlagh Beach	071 9829665

Forest Exploring Life beneath the trees

F Family Event

Ages: 7+ | Booking Essential | Capacity: 35

Aengus Kennedy from NatureNorthWest will lead a walk and talk for families along the nature trail in Ards Forest Park. Meeting at the main car park, we will explore the different types of woodland habitats in a looped walk that arrives back via the sea. We will hunt for bugs, examine tree sap, identify different trees and make some nature crowns.

Please bring rain gear and good walking boots/shoes. All children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. The track is rough and not suitable for buggies.



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7 October	11:00-13:00	Ards Forest Park	www.wainfest.ie

Seashore Exploring Life between the intertidal zones

F Family Event

Ages: 7+ | Booking Essential | Capacity: 35

Aengus Kennedy from NatureNorthWest will lead a seashore exploration as part of Wainfest 2023. Meeting at the car park at Carrickfin pier, we will explore the toughest place in Ireland to live, the intertidal zone. We will learn the difference between winkles, whelks, barnacles and some of the other characters that live along the rocky shore. We will also explore the unique and beautiful Machair sand dune habitat and see how sand dunes help protect our coastal communities from the Atlantic ocean. Please bring rain gear and good walking boots/shoes. All children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. The terrain is rough and not suitable for buggies.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
15 October	11:00-13:00	Carrickfin Harbour	www.wainfest.ie

TJ's Silent Wainfest Disco

F Family Event

Age: 4-12 | Capacity: 30



Join us for TJ's Silent Disco! Get ready to dance, groove, and move to the beat in a unique and magical way. This silent disco is designed exclusively for children, where they can put on their wireless headphones and choose from three exciting playlists filled with their favorite tunes. From catchy pop hits to funky beats and lively children's songs, there's something for everyone. Let your imagination soar as you dance in sync with friends, creating a symphony of joyful footsteps. Don't miss out on this unforgettable experience where music comes to life in a whole new way!

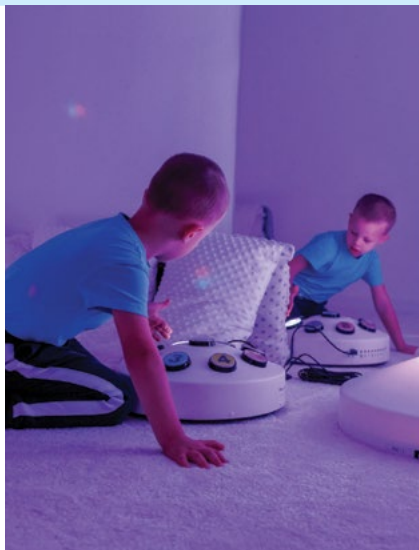
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10 Deireadh Fómhair	18:00	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann	www.wainfest.ie
11 October	18:00	Bundoran Community Library	www.wainfest.ie
12 October	18:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	www.wainfest.ie

Parent & Toddler with access to Sensory Room

F Family Event **A** ASD Friendly

Ages: 0-5 | Fee: €5 per family

Take some time to experience the magic of our sensory room. Suitable for babies, toddlers and children with a disability and/or autism.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
09 October	10:00 - 15:00	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Fab Lab Workshop

F Family Event

Ages: 8+ | Capacity: 15 | Fee: €10 per child

Join Paul in our newly established FabLab where your child will get the opportunity to build their STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) skills through hands-on, fun and engaging learning activities. Participants will have the chance to design and personalise items using digital fabrication technologies including using the Laser Cutter and Vinyl Cutter.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
10 October	15:30	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Donegal Railway Heritage Centre Family Fun Day

F Family Event

Ages: For all the family

As part of Wainfest 2023, the Award Winning Donegal Railway Museum will host a Family Fun Day on Thursday 12th October. There is plenty of family fun to be had, including Ireland's first Interactive Steam Train Cab, model railways, games, as well as puzzles to solve and if the weather is good, a ride on Thomas The Tank. **As an additional bonus, Kids Go FREE. No need to book.**



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
12 October	10:00 - 17:00	Donegal Railway Heritage Centre	074 9722655

Inishowen Maritime Museum & Planetarium

F Family Event

Ages: For all the family | **Fee:** FREE

Earth, Moon and Sun: This planetarium show explores the relationship between the Earth, Moon and Sun with the hope of Coyote, an amusing character adapted from Native American oral traditions who has many misconceptions about our home planet and its most familiar neighbours.

Dynamic Earth: This show explores the inner workings of Earth's great life support system: the global climate. Audiences will ride along on swirling ocean and wind currents, dive into the heart of a monster hurricane, come face-to-face with sharks and gigantic whales and fly into rolling volcanoes.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
11 October	16:00-17:00	Inishowen Maritime Museum & Planetarium	074 9381363 greencastlemaritime@outlook.com

Lego Club

F Family Event

Ages: 5+ | Fee: €6 per child

Enjoy an array of different sized colourful Lego and brick's, have fun competing in challenges and games.



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11 October	15:30-17:30	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Build a Teddy Bear

F Family Event

Ages: 5+ | Fee: €15 per child

Choose from over 10 different types of bears, join our staff on a journey to pick your bear and learn how to stuff it before deciding on a name.



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12 October	15:30-17:30	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Craft Workshop with Colleen Kearney

F Family Event

Ages: 7+ | Capacity: 15

Join me, Colleen Kearney from Strive Therapeutic and Wellbeing Service, to unleash your artistic vibes and use the creative process to enhance wellness. There will be therapeutic benefits to this process as we sculpt your very own animal. Using eco-friendly materials we will design, build, sculpt and finally paint your creature of choice. Using bright acrylic colours, you will be amazed at the finished product. Don't forget to give them a name!



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11 October	18:00	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941
12 October	18:00	Carndonagh Community Library	074 9373701

Bee Anatomy Anyone 4 Science

F Family Event

Ages: 7+ | Capacity: 20

This workshop is an introduction to Bees and an opportunity to learn all about Bee anatomy. Participants will fill in a Bee Diagram then use this to decorate a biscuit with an anatomically correct Bee using icing. They can take this cookie home to eat.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
12 October	16:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665

Teddy Bears Picnic & Storytime

F Family Event

Ages: 0-5 | Fee: €5 per family

Grab your favourite teddies and join us in Spraoi for some fun play, teas, treats and magical stories.



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13 October	10:30-12:00	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Movie & Games Night

F Family Event

Ages: 5+ | Fee: €6 per family

Enjoy indoor games and a movie, treats provided.



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13 October	17:30-19:30	Spraoi, Supervalu, Carndonagh	074 9373303 bookings@spraoiagussport.ie

Maia Sensory Play

F Family Event **A** ASD Friendly

Age: 1-4 | Capacity: 15



Maia offers child-led sensory play/messy play classes. There is a variety of carefully selected, open-ended play materials and sensory bases that the children can explore during their time at a Maia class. Open-ended play means there is no right/wrong way to play with the resources, leaving it to the children's imagination. This is a fantastic opportunity for some additional bonding and fun with your little ones.

The parent/guardian stays and gets to join in the sensory experience too.



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14 October	10:00-11:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665
14 October	11:30-12:30	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665

Fit4You

Tommy Mulhern

F Family Event

Ages: 5-12

Fit4You offers Primary PE to children from Junior Infants to 6th Class. Our sessions are fun, engaging and inclusive while providing the opportunity for children to understand how their body moves.



DÁTA/DATE	AM/TIME	ÁIT/VENUE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
14 October	13:00	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361914

Wainfest Strings Special

Donegal Junior String Orchestra

F Family Event

Price: Free

Treat yourself and your little ones to a free family lunchtime concert as part of the 7th Donegal Chamber Music Festival. Popular classical works and music from Disney movies, performed by the talented young musicians of the Donegal Music Education Partnership. It will delight and stimulate the senses! No need to book, just come along!



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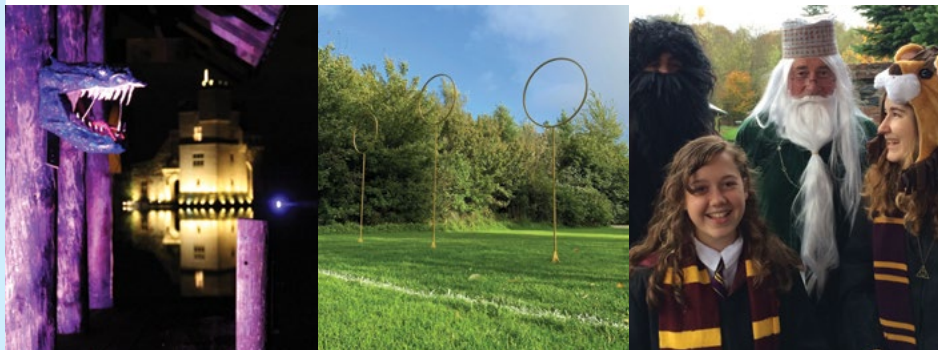
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14 October	12:30	Glebe Gallery Courtyard, Churchill	074 9176293 musiceducation@donegaletb.ie

Harry Potter Experience at Oakfield Park

The Ministry of Magic invites you to join us for a Wizardly day out!

F Family Event



Come along to Oakfield Park for a special Harry Potter experience at Hogwarts. All Muggles are welcome. Take a trip on the Hogwarts Express Steam Train around the magnificent parkland and through the Forbidden Forest before stopping off at Bertie Botts to buy a chocolate frog or perhaps some Fizzing Whizzbees! Keep an eye out for the Basilisk – I do hope you can speak Parcel Tongue! – and enjoy a game of quidditch on a real quidditch pitch. All Witches and Wizards are encouraged to dress up in their finest house robes and bring their wands.

Enter into the Triwizard Tournament by challenging yourself to solve the Enchanted Maze and test your Harry Potter knowledge by completing the champion's quiz.

Finish off your magical day by popping into the Three Broomsticks to sample some Butterbeer or your favourite Cauldron Cake.

 *Oakfield Park*

Entry:

Adults: €9
Children: €6
Under 3s: Free

Hogwart's Express Train:

Adults: €8
Children €6
Under 3s: Free

Family Pass including entry & ride on the Hogwart's Express:

2 Adults & 2 Children: €45
2 Adults & 1 Child €40
2 Adults & 3 Children: €50
1 Adult & 2 Children: €35

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Saturday 7 October	12:00-18:00	Oakfield Park, Raphoe	074 9173922
Sunday 8 October	12:00-18:00		
Saturday 14 October	12:00-18:00		
Sunday 15 October	12:00-18:00		

Glenveagh National Park
A Place to Learn



Páirceanna Náisiúnta
National Parks



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This year we are inviting children and young people to find out about native Irish animals and all the incredible things they get up to at this time of year. From getting ready to hibernate, making amazing journeys for migration, eating lots and finding safe places to rest until Spring, our birds, insects and mammals get up to all sorts of things just to survive. What can we do to help protect them?



Open to all National School Age Children across Donegal

Theme: Irish Animals

Closing Date: 24th November

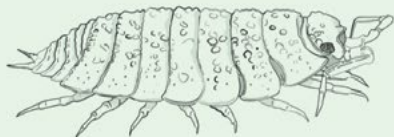
Children's Art Competition

Your piece of art can be anything at all – a drawing or painting, a model, a photograph or anything you've created with this theme in mind. Your work will be on display in the National Park during the winter months in a special Wainfest Exhibition for all our visitors to see. 12 lucky winners will get a special certificate, National Park goody bag and their work featured in our new annual children's calendar.

Entries can be posted to :
Glenveagh National Park
The Bridge House Education Centre
Church Hill, Letterkenny
Donegal F92P993

Please ensure your full name and contact details are included.

Schools wishing to take part can contact us at
glenveagh-education@npws.gov.ie



Wild about Nature

Creative Habitats with Éanna Ní Lamhna

F Family Event

Ages: 8-12 | Capacity: 30



Éanna Ni Lamhna is the author of Wild Things at School, a member of the panel on the RTÉ Mooney Goes Wild radio programme since 1994 and the wildlife expert on The Six O'Clock Show. Join Eanna for a biodiversity workshop on common Irish mammals, birds and insects and how we need these for a healthy environment.

An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council



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14 October	11:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950

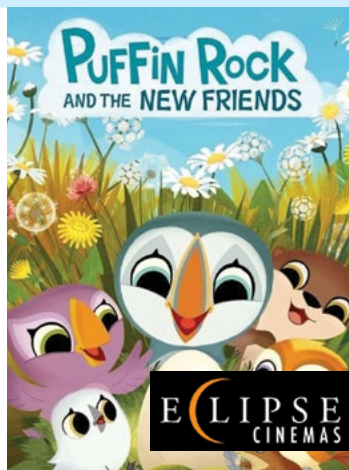
Eclipse Cinemas: Puffin Rock & The New Friends (U)

F Family Event

Price: €3.50

Follow the disappearance of the final Little Egg of the season in strange circumstances, leading Oona and her friends to embark on a race against time to try to save it before a big storm hits Puffin Rock and puts the island in danger.

Book Online: www.eclipsecinemas.com



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7 October	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Lifford-Strabane	074 9141973
7 October	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Bundoran	071 9829999
8 October	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Lifford-Strabane	074 9141973
8 October	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Bundoran	071 9829999

Eclipse Cinemas: Mavka: The Forest Song (P.G)

F Family Event

Price: €3.50

Mavka - a soul of the Forest - faces an impossible choice between love and her duty as guardian to the Heart of the Forest, when she falls in love with a human - the talented young musician Lukash. Our story is about the magical power of love. That kind of love that enables human nature to find the magic within and reveals abilities and qualities that empower a person to reach beyond possible and to hold against evil and human vice.

Book Online: www.eclipsecinemas.com



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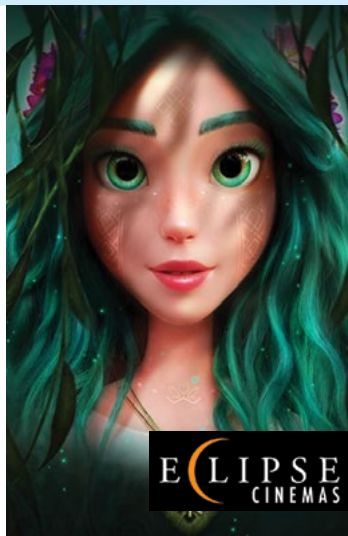
Eclipse Cinemas: українська версія

F Family Event

Price: €3.50

Мавка – душа Лісу – постає перед неможливим вибором між коханням і обов'язком берегині Серця Лісу, коли вона закохується в людину – талановитого юного музиканта Лукаша. Наша історія про чарівну силу кохання. Такого роду любов, яка дозволяє людській природі віднайти магію всередині та розкриває здібності та якості, які дають людині змогу вийти за межі можливого та протистояти злу та людським порокам.

www.eclipsecinemas.com



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15 жовтень	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Lifford-Strabane	074 9141973
15 жовтень	12:00	Eclipse Cinemas Bundoran	071 9829999

Workshop: Flipbook Animation with John D. Ruddy

F Family Event

Ages: 8-12 | Capacity: 10

Flipbooks are ideal for those interested in drawing and animation. You will learn how to use the basic principles of hand-drawn animation to make your own creations come to life.

The workshop is a mixture of live demonstrations, easy-to-follow drawing guides, and practical hands-on creativity. All materials are provided.



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14 October	15:00-16:30	Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny	074 9129186



Online Events

Imeachtaí Ar Líne

At a Glance Online Event Guide

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22	Ceardlann Stem Wizz Teach feirme le seacht dath solais LED	074 9560862
22	Everyday Life In Ireland , 1919-1923 Dr Angela Byrne	www.wainfest.ie
23	Football Stories: Authors Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton	www.wainfest.ie
24	Author Anna McQuinn	www.wainfest.ie
24	Author & Illustrator Alan Dunne	www.wainfest.ie
25	Tiny Tots Pirate Adventures	www.wainfest.ie
25	Antarctic Adventure	www.wainfest.ie
26	Space Explorers	www.wainfest.ie
26	Author Oein DeBhairduin	www.wainfest.ie

Ceardlann Stem Wizz

Teach feirme le seacht dath solais LED
Ar líne do bhunscoileanna na n-oileáin

Imeacht ar Líne

Aois: 10-12

Tóg agus péinteáil do theach feirme féin trí na páirteanna adhmaid lena n-áirítear beanna, ballaí agus díon a chur le chéile. Sreangaigh an bosca ceallraí chuig an solas LED chun timpeallacht álainn de sheacht dathanna éagsúla a chruthú.

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14 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Ar Líne	074 9560862

Everyday Life In Ireland , 1919-1923

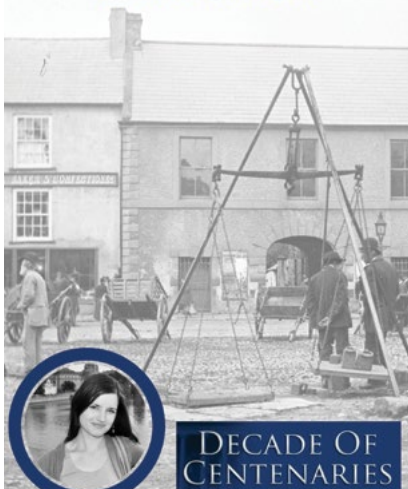
Dr Angela Byrne

Online Event

Age: 9-12

This workshop introduces pupils to everyday life in the revolutionary period. Groups will be guided through life as it was in their local area using photographs, maps, Census, folklore and documents from the time. They will be shown how histories of individual buildings and people in their town can be traced through these sources.

Everyday Life In Ireland , 1919-1923
with Dr. Angela Byrne



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9 October	10:00	Online Session	www.wainfest.ie

Football Stories

Authors - Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton

 Online Event

Ages: 8-12



Alex Bellos and Ben Lyttleton, are the authors of the children's book series Football School, which explains the world through football. At Football School, EVERY lesson is about football. Their books are packed with awesome true stories, real science and fascinating facts. We promise you will laugh loads and learn even more about football and our amazing world!

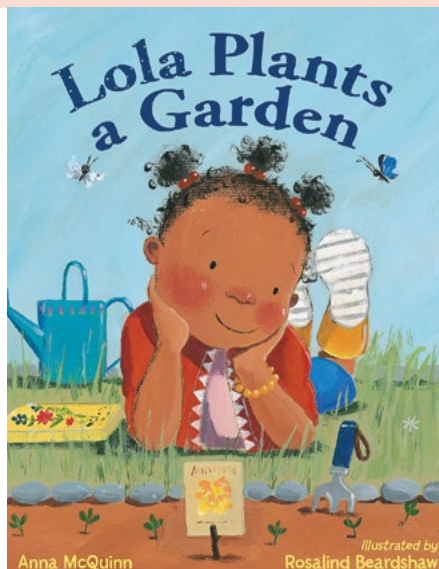
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10 October	10:00	Online Session with Alex	www.wainfest.ie
13 October	10:00	Online Session with Ben	

Author Anna McQuinn

Online Event

Ages: 4-8

Anna McQuinn is the creator of the successful inclusive series Booky Girl Lulu and Zeki Books. Her seemingly simple yet deliberate style of writing brings all aspects of a subject together in the most poetic way. She has written over 30 picture books and is published worldwide in many languages



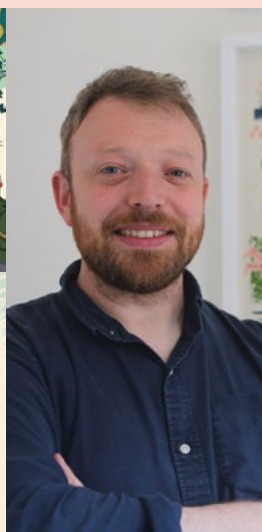
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11 October	11:00	Online Session	www.wainfest.ie

Author & Illustrator Alan Dunne

Online Event

Ages: 8-12

Alan Dunne, the renowned and award-winning freelance illustrator from Ireland, is known for his critically acclaimed work in children's and young adult publications, graphic novels, editorial pieces, advertising campaigns, postage stamps and museums. His unique style is distinctive and considered, blending digital and traditional processes with occasional paper-craft for added flair.



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11 October	11:00	Online Session	www.wainfest.ie
13 October	11:00	Online Session	

Epic Museum presents Tiny Tots Pirate Adventures

 Online Event

Ages: 4-7

EPIC The Irish
Emigration
Museum

Ahoy! We're travelling from EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum to deliver an adventurous virtual Pirate workshop! Suitable for Junior to First class, this interactive workshop will explore the stormy seas to learn about the famous explorers featured in EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum. Are you ready to sail around tropical islands to discover glimmering long-lost treasure, mischievous mermaids and sailing ships? Arrggg weigh anchors and forward! Adventure awaits!



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12 October	10:00	Online Session	www.wainfest.ie

Epic Museum presents Antarctic Adventure

 Online Event

Ages: 8-10

We explore the stories of some Irish people, who left Ireland seeking adventure in the polar regions, through fun, digital, interactive technology. Come join us for Wainfest where we'll be offering an interactive virtual workshop to unearth the journeys of Irish Antarctic explorers Ernest Shackleton, Tom Crean and many more. We will have fun quizzes and creative tasks to learn about these daring icy pursuits.

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Epic Museum presents Space Explorers

Online Event

Ages: 11-12

Join us for a journey of the galaxy in this engaging virtual workshop. We'll design our space suit, visit the International Space Station and the moon, and help our team discover a brand-new star, all before home time! You'll meet some famous Irish Emigrant Astronauts and discover their brave adventures in Space. ...3 ...2 ...1 Blast off!

EPIC The Irish
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12 October	13:30	Online Session	www.wainfest.ie

Author Oein DeBhairduin

Online Event

Ages: 10-12

Oein DeBhairduin is a creative soul with a passion for poetry, folk herbalism and preserving the beauty of Traveller tales, sayings, retellings and historic exchanges. He is the manager of an education centre and a long-time board member of several Mincéirí community groups, including having had the honour of being vice-chair of the Irish Traveller Movement and a council member of Mincéir Whidden. He seeks to pair community activism with cultural celebration, recalling old tales with fresh modern connections and, most of all, he wishes to rekindle the hearth fires of a shared kinship.



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At a Glance School Event Guide

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30	Author Oisín McGann	Milford Community Library Central Library, Letterkenny Carndonagh Community Library Buncrana Community Library
31	Visual Artist Mhairi Sutherland	Buncrana Community Library Carndonagh Community Library Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann Twin Towns Community Library Lifford Community Library
31	Storyteller Maura Logue	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre Central Library, Letterkenny
32	Údar Gemma Breathnach	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair An tSean Bheairic/ Falcarragh Halla an Ionad Tréadaí /Pastoral Centre
33	Mad Scientist Show	Donegal Town Branch Library Áislann Chill Chartha Bundoran Community Library The Forge, Pettigo FRC

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33	Marc Geagan	Bundoran Community Library Donegal Town Branch Library
34	Marcel The Shell With Shoes On	Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny
34	ESB - Sustainable Energy	Bundoran Community Library
35	Climate Change: What You Need To Know - And Why! Dr Darren Clarke	Carndonagh Community Library Buncrana Community Library
36	Hip Hop le Andrea Emmett	Central Library, Letterkenny Buncrana Community Library Carndonagh Community Library
37	Ceardlann Ríomheolaíochta	Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge
37	Ollie and Annie Puppet Show	Inishowen Development Partnership
38	Exhibition: 'The Workhouses of County Donegal'	Donegal County Museum
38	Small Wonders/Iontas na nIontas Puca Puppets	Central Library, Letterkenny Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair
39	Dave Swift	Milford Community Library Twin Towns Community Library Bundoran Community Library Donegal Town Library
39	Fit4you - Tommy Mulhern	St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre Mevagh Family Resource Centre Milford Community Library Cross Border Mobile Event
40	Living History Workshop: Life in the Workhouse	Donegal County Museum
40	Ceardlann Stem Wizz - Maignéad	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair
41	Creative Fitness - Caroline McCauley	Bundoran Community Library Donegal Town Branch Library
41	Aqua Explorers	Donegal Town Branch Library Bundoran Community Library
42	April's Garden - Author Isla McGuckin	Donegal Town Branch Library The Forge Family Resource Centre, Pettigo Twin Towns Community Library Central Library, Letterkenny Milford Community Library
43	Creative Writing Workshop - Will Collins	Central Library, Letterkenny Twin Towns Community Library

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43	Author Nicola Pierce	St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre Moville Branch Library Buncrana Community Library
44	Art Workshop - Colleen Kearney	Carndonagh Community Library Buncrana Community Library
44	Can Do Academy	Carndonagh Community Library Buncrana Community Library
45	Author Erika McGann	Central Library, Letterkenny Bundoran Community Library Milford Community Library Donegal Town Branch Library
46	Everyday life in Ireland, 1919-1923 - Angela Byrne	Twin Towns Community Library Central Library, Letterkenny Buncrana Community Library Carndonagh Community Library
46	Puppet Making - Jay Ryan	Carndonagh Community Library
47	Biodiversity Workshop with Eanna Ní Lamha	Áislann Chill Chartha Donegal Town Branch Library An tSean Bheairic/ Falcarragh Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair
48	Wonder of Science - Jay Ryan	Carndonagh Community Library
48	ASD Ióga Measctha le Maria Coleman	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann
49	Údar/Author Carmel Uí Cheallaigh	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair Carndonagh Community Library Buncrana Community Library
50	Storyteller Niall De Búrca	An Grianan Hotel, Burt The Colgan Hall, Carndonagh Amharclann Ghaoth Dobhair
50	Bee Habitat - Anyone 4 Science	Donegal Town Branch Library Bundoran Community Library Milford Community Library Central Library, Letterkenny
51	Saol an Mhacaire	Leabharlann Phobail Gaoth Dobhair
51	Maia Sensory Play	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann
52	Flor McCartney - Stories of the Revolution	Donegal Town Branch Library Bundoran Community Library
53	Harry Potter Experience at Oakfield Park	Oakfield Park, Raphoe

Ceardlann Marla Sugartha le TJ's Bounce Clay

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Aois: 8-12 | Teorainn: 30



Tá foghlaim trí shúgradh iontach thábhachtach d'fhorbairt linbh. Spreagann spraoi le marla no taos súgartha na céadfaí go léir agus treisíonn sé forbairt agus oideachas linbh agus iad ag foghlaim trí dhéanamh.

Learning through play is incredibly important to a child's development. Encouraging fun with Bounce Clay stimulates all the senses and boosts a child's development and education as they learn through play.

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09 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	CFF Arainn Mhór (Aois: 4-7)	074 9520024
09 Deireadh Fómhair	12:00	CFF Arainn Mhór	074 9520024
11 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann	074 9522500
11 Deireadh Fómhair	13:00	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862
12 October	10:00	Milford Community Library	074 9153927
12 October	12:30	Mevagh Family Resource Centre	074 9155055
13 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown	074 9546071
13 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown	074 9546071

Author Oisín McGann

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 40

Oisín McGann is an award-winning writer and illustrator who has published dozens of books in a range of genres, for everyone from first-time readers to young adults (and old adults). He has also worked extensively with children, teaching writing and illustration.



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9 October	10:00	Milford Community Library	074 9153927
9 October	12:30	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950
10 October	10:00	Carndonagh Community Library	074 9373701
10 October	12:30	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941

Visual Artist Mhairi Sutherland

S School Event

Age: 7-9 | Capacity: 25

Artist Mhairi Sutherland will introduce the session by speaking about stories and how they begin, and through a visual demonstration, show the group how to approach telling an individual, simple story around the 5 senses that can be created through a combination of drawing, writing and/or collage materials. The resulting artwork will be in the form of a book 'cover' that can be either taken home or displayed in your school.



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9 October	10:00	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941
9 October	12:30	Carndonagh Community Library	074 9373701
10 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown	074 9546071
10 Deireadh Fómhair	13:00	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann	074 9522500
11 October	10:00	Twin Towns Community Library	074 9175384
11 October	12:30	Lifford Community Library	074 9175384

Storyteller Maura Logue

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 40

Dark Daughter Productions specialise in animated histories & the use of storytelling to offer the colour of life in the 1913 to 1932 era. Maura Logue, is a creative educator and writer, penning her own historical character stories based on her historical research. Maura has over 20 yrs. experience, working with schools & communities. Pitching Irish histories to primary school children is her expertise.



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9 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	Áras Sheáin Bháin/ Fintown	074 9546071
11 October	10:00	St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre	074 9373303
11 October	12:30	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950

Údar Gemma Breathnach

S Imeacht Scoile

Aois: 10-12 | Teorainn: 30



Is as an Spidéal do Gemma Breathnach. Scríbhneoir teilifíse í, a bhfuil scrípteanna scríofa aici do shraith dhrámaíochta TG4, Ros na Rún. Is Percy Péacóg an dara leabhar do pháistí a scríobh Gemma agus sa cheardlann seo bunaithe ar Percy, Gheobhaidh na páistí, arna dtreorú ag taithí Gemma, deis oibriú i ngrúpaí lena radhairc féin a scríobh.



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9 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862
9 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	An tSean Bheairic/ Falcarragh	074 9180888
10 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Halla an Ionad Tréadaí /Pastoral Centre	074 9127479
10 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	Halla an Ionad Tréadaí /Pastoral Centre	074 9127479

Mad Scientist Show

S School Event

Age: 6-12 | Capacity: 30

Have you ever wondered what makes a fart smell? Or what boogers are made of? Well come along and meet Dr. Von Schlinka, a certified goologist and find out the secrets of his explosive experiments. Be prepared to get slimy and messy!!

Fun for the whole class.



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9 October	10:00	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665
9 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	Áislann Chill Chartha	074 9738376
11 October	10:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665
11 October	12:00	The Forge, Pettigo FRC	071 9861924

Marc Geagan

S School Event

Age: 11-12 | Capacity: 30

Marc Geagan is a lecturer at North-West Regional College in Derry.

Marc has also written several books on the local history of the northwest. He will give a talk on Donegal and the northwest, exploring the effects of the border and partition in cultural and economic terms in the northwest of Ireland.



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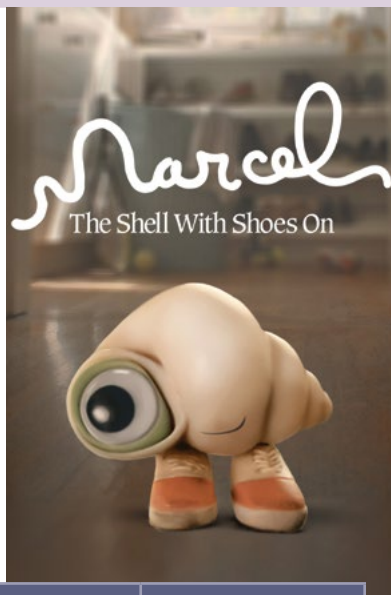
Marcel The Shell With Shoes On

S School Event

Audience: 5th & 6th Class | Runtime: 90 minutes

After a breakup, documentary filmmaker Dean moves into a rental home. There, he discovers Marcel - a tiny, one-inch-tall talking shell who lives with his grandmother Nana Connie. After one of Dean's video clips of Marcel goes viral online, the little shell becomes an unlikely celebrity. However, Marcel only has one wish - to finally be reunited with the rest of his family and friends.

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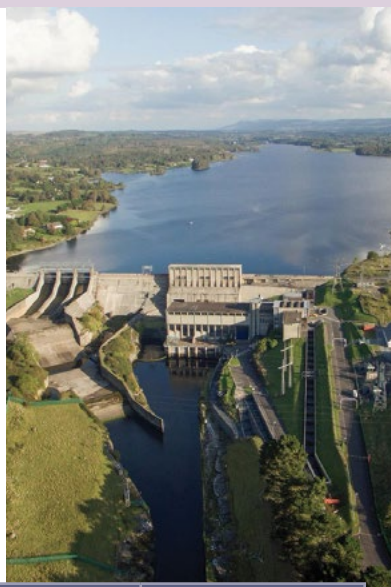
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13 October	10:30	Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny	074 9129186

ESB - Sustainable Energy

S School Event

Age: 12+ | Capacity: 25

John Gallagher is the plant manager of Cathleen Falls Hydroelectric Power Station in Ballyshannon, he will introduce the history of power generation in Ireland and the planned future delivery of a sustainable, affordable and reliable electricity system to children. ESB is committed to delivering sustainable energy to help protect our environment for future generations.

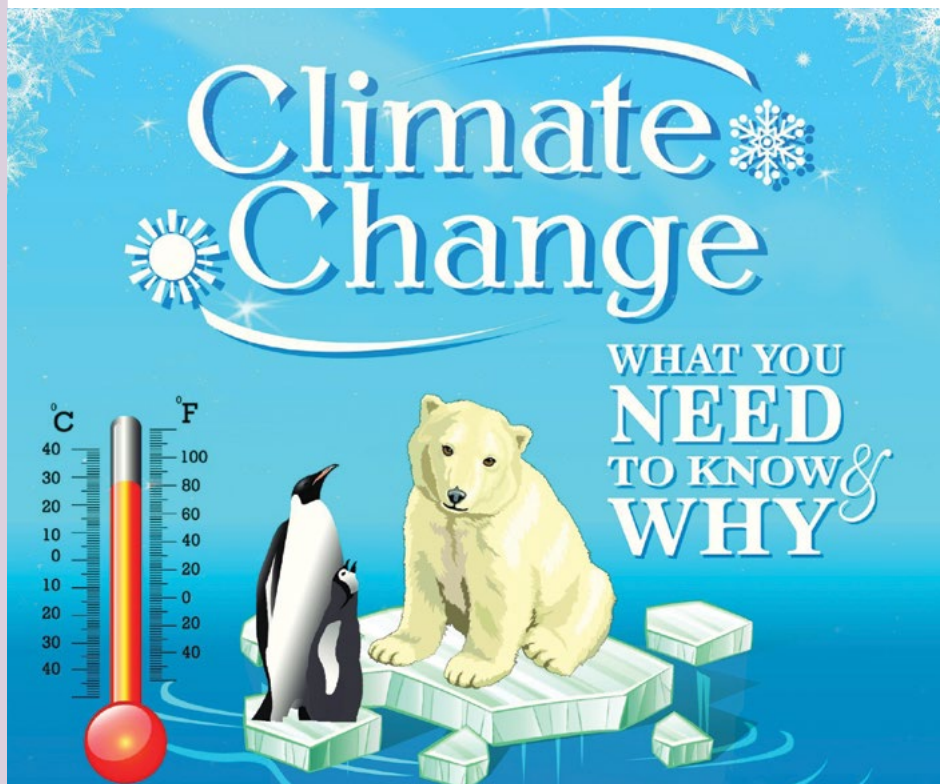


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10 October	12:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665

Climate Change: What You Need To Know – And Why! Dr Darren Clarke

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 40



Earth's life support systems are under threat due to climate change. The window of opportunity to fix this is closing but there is still time. How did we get to this point and what can we do to address it? This talk will examine these issues and show how we can create a better future for us all.



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9 October	10:00	Carndonagh Community Library	074 9373701
9 October	12:30	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941

Hip Hop le Andrea Emmett

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 30



Is múinteoir agus teagascóir taibh-ealaíon as Leitir Ceanainn í Andrea Emmett. Fuair Andrea traenáil i damhsa, drámaíocht agus bhain sí Máistreacht amach sa Taibhiú.

Tá Hip-Hop ar cheann de na cineálacha damhsa is coitianta sa lá atá inniu ann agus tá go leor buntáistí aige do leas an pháiste. Is é an aidhm atá le Hip-Hop ná leibhéal folláine, solúbhacht, muinín, comhordú agus comhchruinniú páistí a fheabhsú. Cuirtear na gnéithe tábhachtacha seo i bhforbairt an pháiste i bhfeidhm i dtimpeallacht chuimsitheach, fuinniúil agus shábháilte, rud a ligeann do na páistí strus nach dteastaíonn a scaoileadh.

Andrea Emmett is a teacher and performing arts instructor from Letterkenny. Andrea received training in dance, drama and completed a Masters in Performance.

Hip-Hop is one of the most popular forms of dance today and has many benefits for the child's well-being. The aim of Hip-Hop is to improve children's levels of fitness, flexibility, confidence, co-ordination and concentration. These important aspects of child development are implemented in an inclusive, energetic and safe environment, allowing children to release unwanted stress.

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Ceardlann Ríomheolaíochta

le Ollscoil na Gaillimhe

S Imeacht Scoile

Aois: 10-12 | Teorainn: 20

Beidh ceardlann spráúil á chur ar fáil ag Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh do pháistí i Rang 5 agus Rang 6 in Ionad an Acadaimh, Gaoth Dobhair. Bainfear úsáid as micriríomhairí ar nós an Raspberry Pi agus an BBC Micro:Bit, atá deartha go speisialta do pháistí. Gheobhaidh na páistí blaiseadh beag ar chódú, ar ríomheolaíocht agus ar eolaíocht mar chuid den seisiún seo.



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9 Deireadh Fómhair	10:30	Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge	074 9560862
10 Deireadh Fómhair	10:30		

Ollie and Annie

Inishowen Development Partnership

S School Event

Age: 5-8

The 2 animated characters 'Ollie' & 'Annie' will take pupils on a journey to discover aspects of Ulster-Scots culture such as highland dancing, bagpipes, marching bands and so much more.

These cultural workshops will be led by 3 tutors (Highland Dance, Bagpipes and Flute/Marching bands). The tutors will each talk about their art form, the history behind it and encourage participants to have a try. Limited to 5 schools.



DÁTA/DATE	TEAGMHÁIL/CONTACT
9, 10 & 11 October	tracey@inishowen.ie

Exhibition 'The Workhouses of County Donegal'



S School Event

Cost: FREE | Closed for lunch 12:30-13:00

Donegal County Museum in association with the County Archives Service have curated this exhibition which tells the story of the workhouses from the Great Famine to their closure in 1922 and shines a light on the lives of those who spent time in these institutions. An educational activity sheet is available. The exhibition is funded through the Regional Museums Exhibition Scheme 2023 under the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. Admission Free.

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09-13 October	10:00-16:30	Donegal County Museum	074 9124613 / museum@donegalcoco.ie

Small Wonders/ Iontas na nIontas Puca Puppets

S School Event **A** ASD Only

Age: 4-8 | Capacity: 8

A multisensory interactive performance experience for children with Autism. Two performers, George and Niamh, use music and puppets to welcome the children to our world of nature, growth and environment. Playfully together we celebrate their birth in the context of the natural world's benefits for health and wellbeing.



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11 Deireadh Fómhair	10:30	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862
11 Deireadh Fómhair	11.45	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862

Dave Swift

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 30

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Dave Swift has a background in field archaeology and is founder of Cláíomh Irish Living History & Mobile Museum. During the session students will be introduced to the fashions, military attire, weaponry, the economy and culture of this revolutionary period. Children get to inspect this unique collection of original and/or faithfully reproduced artefacts with their own hands. All reconstructions presented are thoroughly researched and are made to the highest international museum-grade standards – there is no skimping on quality!



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10 October	10:00	Milford Community Library	074 9153927
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11 October	10:00	Bundoran Community Library	074 9829665
11 October	12:30	Donegal Town Library	074 9829665

Fit4you - Tommy Mulhern

S School Event

Age: 7-10 | Capacity: 20

Fit4You offers Primary PE to children from Junior Infants to 6th Class. Our sessions are fun, engaging and inclusive while providing the opportunity for children to understand how their body moves.



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9 October	10:00	St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre	074 9148551
10 October	10:00	Mevagh Family Resource Centre	074 9155055
10 October	12:30	Milford Community Library	074 9153927
12 October	10:00	Cross Border Mobile Event	087 4301734

Living History Workshop Life in the Workhouse

S School Event

Cost: FREE | Capacity: 1 Class



Step back in time to hear the stories of those who worked and stayed in the County Donegal Workhouses in the early Twentieth Century. You will meet the Master/Matron of the Workhouse, and one of the inmates, Frances Campbell, a soldier who returned from the First World War suffering from shell shock.

Booking is essential as places are limited

These workshops are funded through the Regional Museum Exhibition Scheme 2023 under the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.



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9, 10 & 11 October	10:30 & 13:00	Donegal County Museum	074 9124613 museum@donegalcoco.ie

Ceardlann Stem Wizz - Maighnéad

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Aois:10-12 | Líon: 20

Cruthaigh do thurgnamh ardú maighnéadach féin.

Foghlaimíonn daoine óga na coincheapa a bhaineann le maglev, modh trína gcuirtear réad ar crochadh gan barra tacaíochta ag baint úsáide as réimsí maighnéadacha.

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10 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862
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Creative Fitness

Caroline McCauley

S School Event

Age: 10-12 | Capacity: 20

Caroline is an individual who creates and delivers safe and effective exercise programs for healthy individuals and groups. She helps motivate clients to set goals and improve their general health.

Caroline will explain to children about what is contained in a healthy well-balanced diet and give them a workout on the day.



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09 October	12:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665
10 October	12:00	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665

Aqua Explorers

with Local Authority Waters Programme

S School Event

Age: 10-12 | Capacity: 30

Discover the magical creatures that inhabit the rivers, lakes, and coast of Donegal, past and present. You will learn how creatures can tell us about the health of our water. Take a trip from the mountains to the sea and grab the opportunity to look at some creatures that also take this journey.



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10 October	10:00	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665
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April's Garden - Author Isla McGuckin

S School Event

Age: 4-8 | Capacity: 30



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11 October	10:00	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665
11 October	12:30	The Forge Family Resource Centre, Pettigo	071 9861924
12 October	14:00	Twin Towns Community Library	074 9175384
13 October	10:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950
13 October	12:30	Milford Community Library	074 9153927

Creative Writing Workshop - Will Collins

S School Event

Age: 11-12 | Capacity: 30

BAFTA Award Winner William Collins is a successful inspirational screenwriter known for Star Wars Visions 2023, Wolf walkers (2020), and Song of the Sea (2014).

William has crafted a workshop using his own scripts and short animations to help inspire students to use their own imaginations and creative writing skills.



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11 October	10:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950
13 October	11:00	Twin Towns Community Library	074 9175384

Author Nicola Pierce

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 30

Nicola Pierce has written five novels of historical fiction for children. Her most recent children's novel, Chasing Ghosts; An Arctic Adventure, about the lost John Franklin expedition, was published in March 2020. Join this skilled and articulate writer as she discusses her historical fiction in an engaging and connecting manner.



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10 October	13:00	St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre	074 9373303
11 October	10:00	Moville Branch Library	074 9373701
11 October	12:30	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941

Art Workshop

Colleen Kearney

S School Event

Age: 7+ | Capacity: 20

Join Colleen Kearney from Strive Therapeutic and Wellbeing Service, to unleash your artistic vibes and use the creative process to enhance wellness. There will be therapeutic benefits to this process as we sculpt your very own animal. Using eco-friendly materials we will design, build, sculpt and finally paint your creature of choice. Using bright acrylic colours, you will be amazed at the finished product. Don't forget to give them a name!



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11 October	12:30	Moville Branch Library	074 9373701
12 October	12:30	Raphoe Branch Library	074 9175384

Can Do Academy

S School Event

Age: 6+ | Capacity: 20



These mini animation master classes by Can Do Academy are a great introduction for children to the colourful world of Lego animation! The workshop will allow participants to make a complete animated Lego film on an iPad, using sound effects, visual effects, titles and lots of imagination!

Your class will learn to use special iPad apps and they will receive a copy of their film at the end of the session!



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12 October	10:00	Buncrana Community Library	074 9361941
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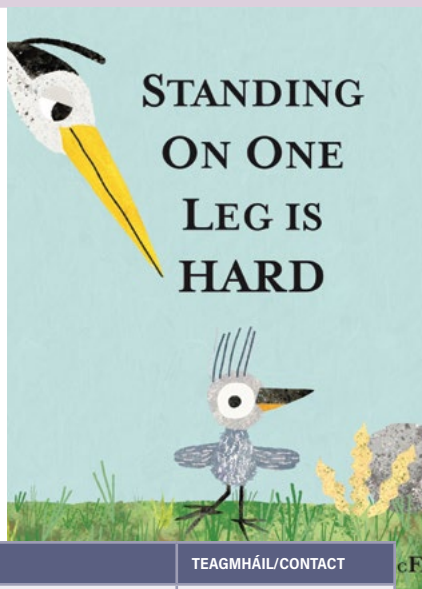
Author Erika McGann

Standing on One Leg is Hard

S School Event

Age: 4-6 | Capacity: 40

Join award-winning children's author, Erika McGann, as she reads a few of her most popular picture books, including *Standing on One Leg is HARD*. Travel to some amazing spots around Ireland with stories, games and fun facts about herons, puffins, sharks and loads more!



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12 October	10:00	Central Library, Letterkenny	074 9124950
13 October	10:00	Bundoran Community Library	071 9829665

Author Erika McGann

The Strange Tale of Barnabus Kwerk

S School Event

Age: 8+ | Capacity: 40

Join award-winning children's author, Erika McGann, as she reads from her latest book for older readers, *The Strange Tale of Barnabus Kwerk*. With storytelling and bizarre trivia, find out where book ideas come from, and how anything you see or hear can become part of a story.



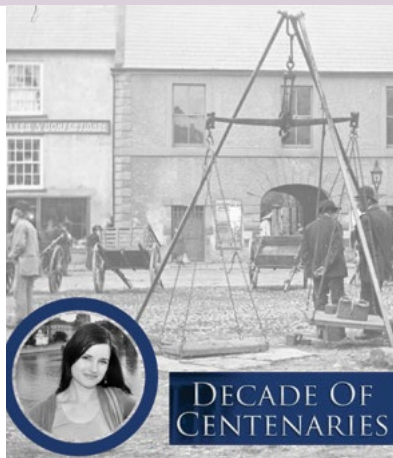
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12 October	12:30	Milford Community Library	074 9153927
13 October	12:30	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665

Everyday life in Ireland, 1919–1923 - Angela Byrne

S School Event

Age: 11-12 | Capacity: 40

This workshop introduces pupils to everyday life in the revolutionary period. Groups will be guided through life as it was in their local area using photographs, maps, Census, folklore and documents from the time. They will be shown how histories of individual buildings and people in their town can be traced through these sources.



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Puppet Making

Jay Ryan

S School Event

Age: 6-8 | Capacity: 25

Making workshops are ideal for younger children as they infuse visual art with drama. Participants are led through the puppetry process from the making and manipulation of hand puppets to the storytelling and drama of the puppet show. The process aids the development of social skills, confidence building, creative thinking and free expression.



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12 October	10:00	Carndonagh Community Library	074 9373701

Biodiversity Workshop with Éanna Ní Lamhna

S School Event

Age: 10-12 | Capacity: 30



Éanna Ní Lamhna is the author of *Wild Things at School*, a member of the panel on the RTÉ Mooney Goes Wild radio programme since 1994 and the wildlife expert on *The Six O'Clock Show*. Join Eanna for a biodiversity workshop on common Irish mammals, birds and insects and how we need these for a healthy environment.

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12 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Áislann Chill Chartha	074 9738376
12 October	13:00	Donegal Town Branch Library	071 9829665
13 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	An tSean Bheairic/ Falcarragh	074 9180888
13 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862

Wonder of Science

Jay Ryan

S School Event

Age: 8-12 | Capacity: 25

To celebrate the wonder of science, why not join Professor Egghead (a.k.a Jay Ryan) and explore the Air around us. Come on a journey of discovery, see what amazing experiments can be conjured up using just Air and find out how it affects our lives. Professor Egghead is not interested in the ordinary but very interested in the EXTRAORDINARY!



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ASD Ióga Measctha le Maria Coleman

A ASD Only **S** Imeacht Scoile

Aois: 4-8 | Teorainn: 30

Beidh píosa spraoi i gceist leis an seisiún seo, le amhráin beaga ag threoróidh na rannpháirtithe trí staidiúirí ióga agus rithimí simplí drumáí. Beidh gach duine ag fáil leann triail a bhaint as na eilimintí éagsúla. Tar éis tús fuinniúil, críochnóidh an seisiún le scíste le cuidiú ó fuaimeanna suaimhneasach. Tá an meascán uathúil seo de yoga agus ceoil faoi stiúir Maria Coleman ó 'Comhcheol'



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12 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair	074 9560862
12 Deireadh Fómhair	12:00	Leabharlann Phobail na Rosann	074 9522500

Údar/Author Carmel Uí Cheallaigh

S School Event

Age: 10-12 | Capacity: 30

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'Is údar ocht leabhar do pháistí í Carmel, i nGaeilge agus i mBéarla. Thosaigh sí ag scríobh i 2010 agus bhí a céad leabhar Spidey foilsithe le Cló Mhaigh Eo i 2012. Is breá léi a bheith ag léamh agus ag scríobh leabhar pictiúir agus ag léamh agus ag déanamh taighde ar leabhair Stairiúla Éireannacha agus tá a leabhair foilsithe sa dhá seánra. Rugadh agus tógadh Carmel i gContae Mhaigh Eo agus tá conaí uirthi i gContae Chill Mhantáin anois.

Carmel is the author of eight children's books in Irish and English. She started writing in 2010 and her first picture book Spidey was published by Cló Mhaigh Eo in 2012. She loves reading and writing picture books and reading and researching Irish History books and has been successfully published in both of these genres. Originally from Co Mayo, she now lives in Co Wicklow.

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Storyteller Niall De Búrca

S School Event

Niall de Burca is a scéalaí; a traditional storyteller from the west of Ireland. Hugely popular with audiences of all ages, Niall has shared the Irish storytelling tradition on six continents in countries as diverse as Korea, Latvia and South Africa.

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12 October	10:00	An Grianan Hotel, Burt	8-12	www.wainfest.ie
12 October	12:30	The Colgan Hall, Carndonagh	8-12	www.wainfest.ie
13 Deireadh Fómhair	10:00	Amharclann Ghaoth Dobhair	4-7	074 9560862
13 Deireadh Fómhair	12:30	Amharclann Ghaoth Dobhair	8-12	074 9560862

Bee Habitat Anyone 4 Science

S School Event

Ages: 7+ | Capacity: 25

In this workshop participants will learn about Bees and why they are so important to our planet. They will also make a Bee habitat to help Bees thrive in their own gardens.



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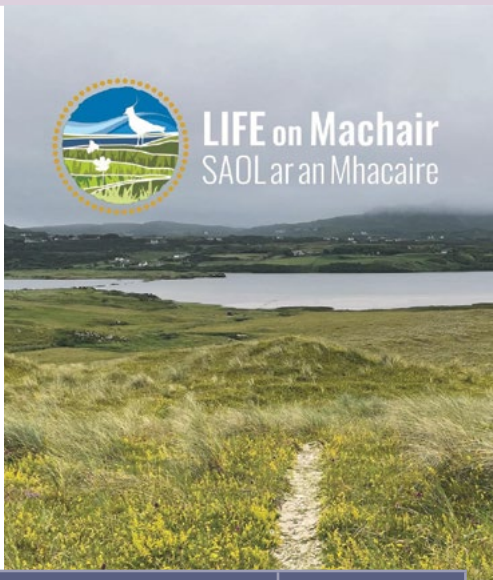
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Maia Sensory Play

S School Event **A** ASD Friendly

Age: 4-7 | Capacity: 25

Maia is run by Shannan Mulrooney, an Early Years Educator and Primary School Teacher with an MA in Leadership and Advocacy in Early Years. Maia's child-led classes and workshops have been carefully designed to ensure children have fun while also supporting their development. They feature a variety of open-ended materials and sensory bases for children to explore throughout.



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Stories of the Revolution

S School Event

Age: 11-12 | Capacity: 30



Flor MacCarthy is a journalist and author. Flor will deliver a talk on The 'Stories of the Revolution' project involving 823 children from 48 schools all around West Cork. The book is a treasure trove of oral history about the 1916-23 revolutionary period, most of which was previously unrecorded.



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Harry Potter Experience at Oakfield Park

The Ministry of Magic invites you to join us for a Wizardly day out!

S School Event

Entry Students: €12 (Entry & Train) | Entry Plus Lunch: €17 (Entry & Train)



The Ministry of Magic invites your school to enjoy a Wizardly day out at the Harry Potter Experience in Oakfield Park, Raphoe. Our wonderful parklands are the perfect place to spend a magical day in the Donegal outdoors. Give your students a day they will never forget, from rambling through our hedge maze, to sampling butterbeer and pitting their skills against each other in a game of quidditch. Lunch outdoors can also be provided; this option covers the entry fee and a delicious Harry Potter themed al fresco lunch.

Contact us on 074 9173922 to arrange a bespoke package for your school group. Email gardens@oakfieldpark.com



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13th October	11:00-16:30	Oakfield Park, Raphoe	074 9173922



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