



Bealtaine 2023



Bealtaine is back this May and Kilkenny County Library Service is delighted to participate once again in this national festival. The aim of the Bealtaine festival is to celebrate the arts and creativity as we get older.

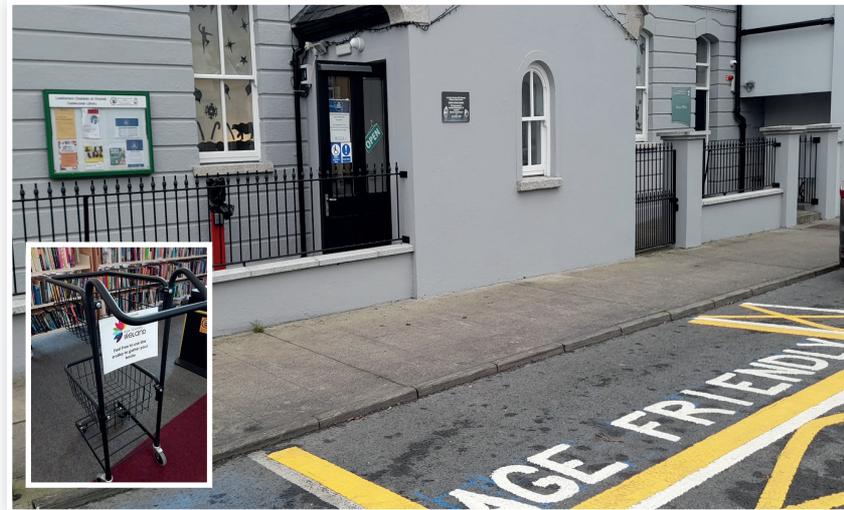
session, Tina will do an introduction to poetry writing that will be suitable for new or established writers.

Flowers



Ann Moylan reliving some favourite songs from the past. Take a trip down memory lane with some popular and much-loved songs! Don't miss out on this sing-along on Thursday the 25th of May at 11.00am.

For further details on



Mobile library Timetable

See kilkennylibrary.ie for more details

10th:
Tullaroan NS 9.30-10.30; Kilmanagh NS 10.45-11.45; Windgap NS 13.20-14.40; Kilmoganny 15.00-15.40; Kells 15.50-16.05

11th:
Smarties ELC Mullnavat 9.45-10.15; Bigwood NS 10.40-11.50; Kilmacow 12.10-13.00; Mullinavat 14.15-15.15

12th:
Danesfort NS 9.30-10.45; Dunamaggin NS 11.50-12.30; Tiny Tots ELC Parcnagowen 14.00-14.30; Archersrath Nursing Home 14.45-15.15

16th:
Ballyhale NS 9.30-11.15; Ballyhale Creche ELC 11.20-11.50; Scoil Aireagail Ballyhale 12.00-12.30; Knocktopher 12.35-13.15; Hugginstown 14.20-15.00

17th:
Templeorum NS 9.50-10.50; Busy Bees ELC Piltown 11.00-11.20; Happy Days ELC Fiddown 11.30-11.50; Piltown NS 13.00-14.30; Owing 14.50-15.50

18th:
Little Sunshine ELC Ferrybank 10.00-10.25; Slieverue 10.50-11.50; Glenmore NS 12.10-13.00; Shanbogh NS 13.10-14.00

19th:
Johnswell NS 9.30-10.45; Muckalee NS 11.05-11.55; Muckalee Community Childcare 12.00-12.25; Bush Bees Loughboy ELC 13.00-13.30

23rd:
Coláiste Mhuire Johnstown 9.45-10.25; Johnstown NS 10.30-12.20; Galmoy NS 13.20-14.30; Crosspatrick Nursing Home 14.45-15.15

24th:
Bennettsbridge NS 9.30-11.30; Paulstown NS 11.55-13.55; Tinnypark Nursing Home 15.15-15.45; Cheeky Monkeys ELC 15.35-16.05

25th:
Carrigeen Creche ELC 10.10-10.40; Carrigeen NS 10.40-11.40; Luffany 11.45-12.10; Mooncoin Little Mischief ELC 13.30-14.00; Mooncoin 14.10-16.00

26th:
Conahy Community ELC 9.30-9.50; Conahy NS 9.50-10.25; Coon NS 10.45-11.55; Moneenroe NS 12.15-14.00

30th:
Clara NS 9.30-11.30; Gowran Montessori ELC 11.45-12.15; St. Patrick's Special School 13.50-14.20; Danesfort Childcare ELC 14.40-15.20

31st:
Saplings School Goresbridge 09.40-10.00; Goresbridge NS 10.05-11.45; Paulstown Step by Step ELC 12.00-12.25; School of the Holy Spirit 12.50-13.45



Kilkenny Library Service will have a fantastic programme of events taking place in the month of May, offering a wonderful opportunity to engage with the arts! Across our libraries we host events over the coming weeks so it is the perfect time to try something new and explore your own creativity.

Creativity is good for your health!

While you might agree that engaging with the arts and creativity are enjoyable pursuits, did you know that creativity is actually good for your health?



If you want to learn how and why, then join Teresa Hennessy, Senior Health Promotion Officer with the HSE for a discussion in Loughboy Library on May 15th at 2.30pm. Teresa will discuss how the creative side of your brain impacts

your health and well-being. **Creative writing**



At Graiguenamanagh Library and the City Library, local writer Alice Bennett will guide you through memoir writing. Why not take the opportunity to put a pen to paper and record your own story? Alice will facilitate two workshops at Graiguenamanagh Library on 9th May & 23rd May from 10am - 11.30am and in the City Library on the 12th May & 26th May from 10am-11.30am.

In Ferrybank Library, poet Tina Hunt will host a workshop on the 23rd May from 10am - 12.00pm. During this



At Thomastown Library, Betty Holmes will do a flower arranging demo on May

12th at 10.30am. Betty is a very popular tutor and will be sure to give great advice and tips on how to make your own creative floral arrangements.

At Callan Library, local artist Clare Brennan will facilitate an art workshop where you can try your hand at flower hammering to make your own stationary set. Clare's workshop will take place on Friday the 26th of May at 3.00pm

Musical event

At Castlecomer Library we are looking forward to

these events check out our website www.kilkennylibrary.ie or contact your local library to book your place at an event.

Age Friendly



Bealtaine 2023 will mark another celebration for Kilkenny County Council Library Service as we have recently been awarded an Age Friendly status for each of our 8 library branches and our mobile library service. To achieve this status, library staff undertook training and then implemented changes in how our library can deliver services to older people in the local community. These changes included the introduction of Age Friendly parking spaces outside Castlecomer and Urlingford libraries, the provision of reading aids available in all library branches, book trolleys for people, and a commitment to continue to include Age Friendly programmes across our library service.