Welcome Back!

Happy New Year!

The Christmas break seems like a distant memory, but we hope you’ve all settled back in by now.

Thinking ahead, we’re pleased to announce that, to help you prepare for your exams, the Library will be open from 11 am to 5 pm on the following Sundays and public holidays:

- Sunday, 10th April
- Sunday, 17th April
- Sunday, 24th April
- Sunday, 1st May
- Monday, 2nd May
- Sunday, 8th May

Details of the Sunday openings are available on posters and bookmarks in the library.

Did you know ……….

that in 1993 Europe passed a law that effectively removes a book’s copyright 70 years after the author’s death? This should mean that, because she died in 1945, Anne Frank’s book “The Diary of a Young Girl” is out of copyright now.

However, Yves Kugelmann, a spokesperson for the Anne Frank Fonds, the non-profit organisation established by Otto Frank in 1963 to protect his daughter’s legacy, announced that legal experts have advised the foundation that, by editing entries, Anne’s father has “created a new work” worthy of its own copyright. Otto Frank died in 1980, so copyright in his name would exist until 2050. This co-authorship idea is strongly contested and will no doubt result in a number of court battles.


Foul Play (1978)

Director: Colin Higgins

Cast: Goldie Hawn, Chevy Chase, Marc Lawrence, Dudley Moore

In this comic thriller film Goldie Hawn plays a recently-divorced librarian, Gloria Mundy, who discovers an evil plot to assassinate the Pope when he attends a performance of “The Mikado” in San Francisco. Gloria seeks out the help of the only man who will believe her - a charming but unlucky detective, Tony Carlson (Chevy Chase).

The two work together through a complicated series of twists and turns to stop the criminals and along the way fall in love.

Interestingly, the name Gloria Mundy is a reference to "Sic transit gloria mundi," a Latin phrase meaning "Thus passes the glory of the world." It was included in the ritual of papal coronation ceremonies until 1963.
Public Library Cutbacks in the UK

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Marie O’Neill, Head of Library

“The truth is libraries are raucous clubhouses for free speech, controversy and community.” – Paula Poundstone

“Libraries are the thin red line between civilization and barbarism.” - Neil Gaiman

“With a library you are free, not confined by temporary political climates. It is the most democratic of institutions because no one - but no one at all - can tell you what to read and when and how.” - Doris Lessing

“[Librarians] are subversive. You think they’re just sitting there at the desk, all quiet and everything. They’re like plotting the revolution, man. I wouldn’t mess with them.” — Michael Moore

“Without libraries what have we? We have no past and no future.” – Ray Bradbury

According to the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals of the UK (CILIP), almost 443 public library branches in the UK have closed since 2010.\(^1\) The loss to society is incalculable. The local public library is still one of the few places where anybody, regardless of their race, religion, income, educational background and physical or mental disabilities, can for free read the works of authors past and present; read newspapers; learn a language; use computing facilities; work on their CV; introduce their children to books and so much more. The public library is an inclusive and democratic space that builds literacy, communities and society.

Currently in the UK a number of high profile authors such as Joanna Trollope, Neil Gaimen, Ali Smith, Andrew Motion and others are spearheading a petition to save the public library system from further encroachment. Trollope recommends that the UK’s poor literacy scores in OECD surveys serve as an impetus to the cessation of cuts.\(^2\)

CILIP is also taking action against the Government (in a campaign called My Library by Right), drawing upon the 1964 Public Libraries and Museums Act, which asserts that the public has a right to a quality public library service. CILIP are being advised by Eric Metcalfe, a human rights barrister. 3 The aforementioned petition is also part of this campaign.

Ahead of National Libraries Day in the UK, please do show your support for the campaign. For further information on the petition, please see the CILIP website: http://www.cilip.org.uk/.

References

\(^1\)http://www.cilip.org.uk/


\(^3\)http://www.theguardian.com/books/2015/dec/17/librarians-take-legal-fight-against-library-closures-to-government
The Chinese New Year, also known as “Spring Festival” and “Lunar New Year”, is the most important traditional festival for Chinese people all around the globe. It’s seen as a time for getting together with family and friends and exchanging good wishes for health and happiness. 2016 is The Year of the Monkey; in the Chinese zodiac the Monkey is a symbol of good fortune and is known for its kindness, faithfulness, resourcefulness, and humour.

The Dublin Chinese New Year Festival (DCNYF) was established in 2008 to celebrate, promote and deepen the understanding of the Sino/Irish relationship. This year’s programme of events is bigger and better than ever, with literally something for everyone - concerts, seminars, theatre, demonstrations, workshops, fashion shows, sport and more! For full details of the Festival Programme visit

http://www.dublinchinesenewyear.com/festival-programme/
New to studying?

Or maybe you’d like a refresher on citing and referencing, or academic writing?

Or perhaps some tips on coping with the pressure of studying?

Then why not have a look at our latest book display in the Library which highlights books on study skills. All these books are available to borrow, so feel free to take them off display!

Internet Security?

People are still putting themselves at risk of hacking and identity theft by using weak, easy-to-guess passwords. According to a list compiled by SplashData, a leading provider of security applications and services, the top 5 worst passwords in 2015 were:

1. 123456
2. password
3. 12345678
4. qwerty
5. 12345

Their advice? Longer passwords with mixed types of character!
The Library has reviewed its databases subscriptions and will be replacing an existing subscription to Emerald with the database ABI/Inform Complete.

ABI/Inform offers the latest business and financial information to researchers at all levels.

The database comprises in-depth coverage of more than 3000 publications, 2000 of which are full-text. A percentage of journal titles previously available on Emerald and JSTOR can also be found on ABI/Inform, (119 and 23 journal titles respectively). Additionally, full-text content on Emerald up to August 2015 can still be accessed on the Library Website.

But ABI/Inform provides not just academic journal articles, but also the latest market and industry information from Business Monitor International (BMI), the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU), First Research (Dun & Bradstreet/Hoover’s), Oxford Analytics, ISI Emerging Markets and Oxford Economics. Other content includes working papers, full-text business dissertations, business cases and annual reports.

The Proquest platform facilitates cross searching, article linking, the setting up of RSS alert and content alerts and much more. As well as augmenting business content for students and faculty at DBS, ABI/Inform provides access to 8,800 case studies.

ABI/Inform can be accessed via the Library website.

For further information on ABI Inform please contact colin.okeeffe@dbs.ie.

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2016 not only marks the centenary of the Easter Rising, the rebellion for Irish independence, but is also a time when we remember the First World War or the Great War as it is often called. Many of us have a connection to the First World War, either through our own family history or because of the impact it has had on society and on the world we live in today.

Although conscription was never imposed on Ireland we know that many young Irishmen served in the British forces during the Great War.

However, it is remarkable that, according to an article in the Nenagh Guardian, all seven sons of George and Mary Maher of Nenagh enlisted in the British army! Denis and Joseph served in the Leinster Regiment, while George (Jnr) was in the Royal Army Service Corps and Martin, Daniel, Patrick and Michel all enlisted in the Royal Irish Regiment. Denis was killed in action in 1916, but as far as we know his six brothers survived the war.

But what’s even more remarkable is that the Maher brothers are great uncles of Marie O’Neill, Head of Library!
When is lilac neither a colour nor flower? When it’s a librarians’ conference of course! The Librarians Information Literacy Annual Conference (LILAC) is a yearly get together of information literacy librarians from Ireland and the UK to discuss all issues relating to information literacy (IL). The focus is usually on how the provision of IL tuition can be improved and how we can adopt new approaches to reach our target groups, although many other issues are also explored.

Information literacy or information skills is what librarians call the tuition that we provide to our students (or others depending on library type) in order to assist them with information discovery and use. Here in DBS, I’m the Information Skills Librarian and I deliver classes to our students on how to find, evaluate, apply and acknowledge information. Hopefully this facilitates students using better quality sources for their assignments, applying the information found effectively and referencing correctly, resulting in higher marks.

LILAC is usually held in the UK, but this year it’s in Dublin at UCD from the 21st - 23rd of March. Each day has a keynote speaker (most important) alongside smaller parallel sessions, where you get to choose which session to attend. Over the three days of conference proceedings, a total of 93 events will occur. One might suggest that’s a lot of talking and presenting on one topic. True, but there are numerous aspects of IL such as engaging users, IL promotion, class delivery methods, measuring impact and so on. Many of the presentations are reflections of initiatives that were piloted or tried in various institutions. Sometimes these initiatives are successful, sometimes not. The important thing to remember about these teaching and learning conferences is that they are a forum of ideas, both successful and unsuccessful, that add to our knowledge of IL instruction.

So what to look forward to at this year’s conference? As in previous years the programme is comprehensive and varied. Topics that will be covered include peer support of digital literacy skills at IT Tallaght, school libraries engaging youth, IL and Twitter and censoring the web, to name but a few. I’m attending on Day 2 and plan to write about my impressions and reflections of the day, you’ll hear my musings in the next library newsletter.

For further information, or to book your place, see: http://www.lilacconference.com/
Looking back at 2015 we can see that more and more of you are making purchase suggestions to the library for print and eBooks. The chances of a suggestion being accepted are high with 86% of suggested print book titles and 56% of suggested eBook titles in 2015 being acquired. So if you come across a title you think the library should get this year let us know.

**How to suggest print titles**

You can suggest print titles via our library catalogue ([http://koha.dbs.ie](http://koha.dbs.ie)). Login to your account and click on the purchase suggestion tab on the left, click New Purchase Suggestion and enter the details of the book. Finally click Submit your Suggestion. You’ll automatically be notified by email of the status of the suggestion e.g. accepted, ordered, received.

**How to suggest eBook titles**

You can search for eBook titles on [http://www.dawsonera.com](http://www.dawsonera.com). You can show only titles we already own or show all titles on Dawsonera (over 400,000 eBooks). Unowned content appears purple while owned content appears green. For unowned content you have the option to preview for 5 minutes (circled in blue) and suggest for purchase (circled in red).
Here’s a small sample of some of the suggested print titles acquired by the library in 2015:

And a handful of the suggested eBook titles acquired in 2015:

We hope to see you continue to make many more suggestions during 2016!
Recipe Corner: Pasta with Smoked Salmon

Student food: how to eat cheaply at college

(This recipe is surprisingly budget-friendly because it uses smoked salmon trimmings)

Method:

Heat a pan of salted water till boiling and add your pasta.

While that’s cooking, fry the garlic in the olive oil until pale gold and softened.

Add the crème fraiche, the lemon zest and juice and the salmon trimmings. Mix together and cook on a medium heat until the sauce is warmed through and thickened slightly.

When your pasta is cooked, drain it, then add to the crème fraiche pan and mix together with the sauce. Top with plenty of black pepper and serve.

Ingredients: (Serves One)

Splash of olive oil

One clove of garlic, finely chopped

100g pasta

60g smoked salmon trimmings

Two tablespoons crème fraiche

Zest of half a lemon and a squeeze of lemon juice

Black pepper

Source:

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/foodanddrink/recipes/10331033/Three-easy-pasta-recipes-no-student-should-be-without.html

Not only are smoked salmon trimmings one of the best value items you can buy in a supermarket, but fish oils are good for the brain, too!

Tips

The quantities given are for one serving, but can easily be doubled, either to provide leftovers for another meal or to share with a friend.

>>> Joan Colvin, Law and Postgraduate Librarian

“Ben! I heard on TV that everyone is getting rich on the internet. Is this little slot where the money comes out?”

“Wendie! You pay your late fines or Babar breaks your pinkie.”
We have a suggestion box outside the Library and you are welcome to drop your suggestions/requests to the Library there. It is a great way to keep in touch with all our users and to see what we can improve all year long. We will make sure to implement your ideas where possible, and to also answer to them in this dedicated corner.

We had six suggestions for this issue:

**Library Fines:**

The first suggestion stated that DVDS are not borrowed in any great numbers and therefore should not have any penalty attached to their late return. Secondly that fines should not be imposed during reading week. However, there are several DVDS on course reading lists so in order to encourage equal access to these resources penalties are imposed on late items. With regard to not imposing fines on items during reading week, the College doesn’t see this week as any less important than other week of the academic year. Therefore fines are still imposed.

**Lack of Study Space:**

There were two comments concerning the lack of available study space on campus. The library has recently opened a Library Hub in Bow Lane. This is a combination of an informal collaborative study space and a more formal traditional study space. The Hub is open between 9 am and 5 pm week days.

**Castle House Library Facilities:**

This is a subject that patrons bring up regularly. On this occasion the patron suggested we employ a book return box in Castle House. This is an issue we have discussed in the past. It was felt that by employing a return box in Castle House items would spend too long out of circulation while in transit to AS Library. This would mean other students may miss out in gaining access to material. There is a return box outside the AS Library. Items can dropped into this deposit box at any time and the library will collect them once we’re open.

**Library Air Conditioning:**

In this message, someone requested that we remove the stuffy smell in the library. The library aims to create a clean environment in which students can study. Every morning we turn on the air conditioning before opening the library. We can get several requests on some days to alter the system but it can be difficult to create a balance between competing demands. If you ever feel that the environment in the library is not satisfactory, please inform staff at the desk. They will do their best to help.

**Coffee Machine:**

Someone asked us to purchase a coffee machine for the library. As far as I know we have no plans to purchase such an item in the near future. I heard that both the canteen in the basement and the barista across the road do a mean coffee. And a poster which might appeal to coffee fans:

**Inappropriate Message:**

Finally there was a note in the box containing information of an unsuitable nature. Please desist from this in the future!
1916 Commemoration Events >>> By Joan Colvin

Citizens in Conflict: Dublin 1916 – Exhibition

This new exhibition by Dublin City Library and Archive includes eye-witness accounts of the Rising and newly acquired sources such as the Dublin Fire Brigade Ambulance Logbook for Tara Street Station.

With a particular focus on the Pearse Street area of the city (formerly Great Brunswick Street), where Patrick and Willie Pearse grew up and where Boland’s Mill garrison was commanded by Eamon de Valera, the exhibition also remembers the many civilians, including 40 children, killed during the Rising.

Running from 14 January to 25 June in the Dublin City Library & Archive, Pearse Street, this is just one of many events organised by Dublin City Council to commemorate the centenary of the Easter Rising. Admission is free.

For details of this and other Dublin City Council commemorative events see:

Revolution 1916: The Exhibition

This exhibition will use the 1916 Proclamation as its overall theme and will examine the “six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in arms” as the lead up to the events of 1916. A series of sets will take the visitor through the main locations of the 1916 rising including The G.P.O., Moore St, and will also recreate the landing in Kilmainham Gaol where the leaders were held and their walk to their execution in the stonebreaker’s yard.

During the 1916 Rising, the Ambassador was the backdrop for the famous image of British Soldiers posing with the captured Irish Republic flag held upside down and inside out. Beside the building is where the captured rebels from the G.P.O. and Four Courts garrisons were held out overnight at the front of the Rotunda.

The exhibition opens on 27th February. Tickets are on sale from Ticketmaster and are priced from €15 with concessions for Students, OAP and the Unemployed.

For further information see:
http://www.dublintown.ie/whats-on-events/revolution-1916-exhibition

Did you know that………

There are 30 original copies of the Proclamation? One sold for $1 million in 2006.

The Proclamation was published in two parts and contained different point sizes as the printer did not have enough fonts?