



# The Journey of Books



almost instant access to everything we want to read".

To request a particular book, you can go online to our website [www.kilkennylibrary.ie](http://www.kilkennylibrary.ie) or ask your local library staff to request the book for you.



To request online, you simply need to have your library membership card and your PIN number to hand.

With this, you can request up to 12 items at a time for FREE. So get through that TBR pile quicker, plan ahead and get requesting!



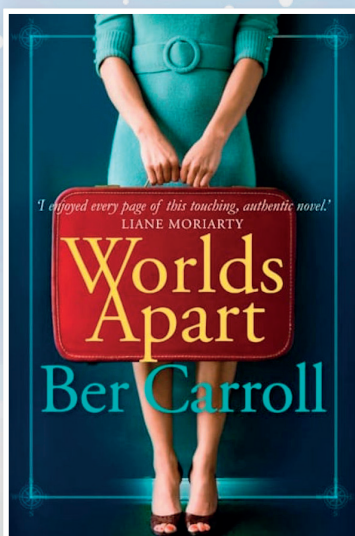
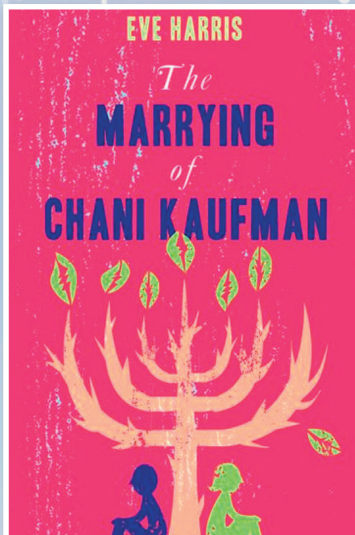
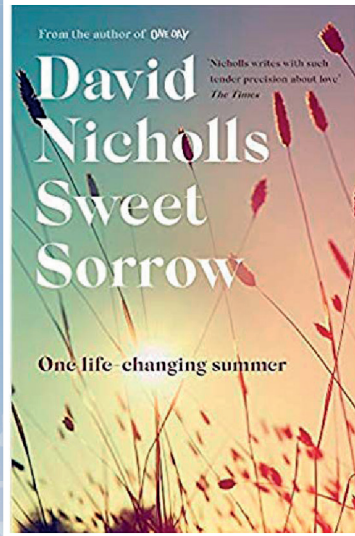
Requested books travel the length and breadth of Ireland landing at the local library branch of the next person waiting to read it!

Whether it is a latest bestseller or an older title from your newly-discovered favourite author, we can help you find your next read no matter where it resides.

Caitriona from Loughboy library has her books ready for the Christmas holidays - they came from all corners of Ireland, Waterford, Dublin, Cavan & Wexford respectively!

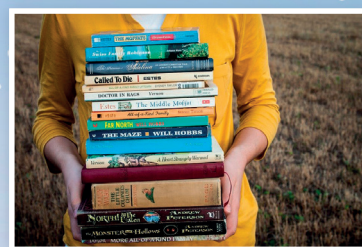
This week, another library member received 5 requested titles which had travelled from Dublin, Callan, Galway City, Galway and Sligo!

The journey of our library books all over Ireland



Each morning, library staff in branches in each of the 331 public libraries in Ireland, print out a list, showing all the books in that particular library that have been requested by people all over the country. After checking it twice (!), the staff will find the books, scan it to see where it needs to be delivered to. The book is then labelled and then popped into the delivery box for collection.

These boxes are collected twice a week from each library and sent to a central location where they are sorted, and then delivered to each library in Ireland twice a week.



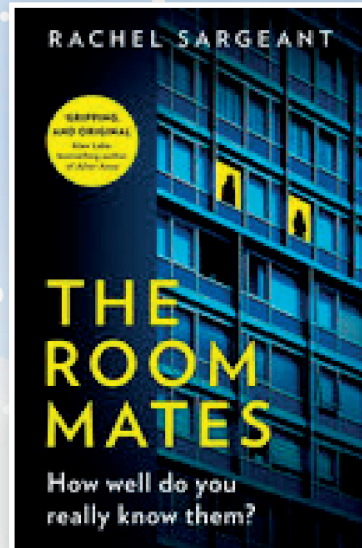
Last month, 2,199 books were received by Kilkenny Library members who had requested them!



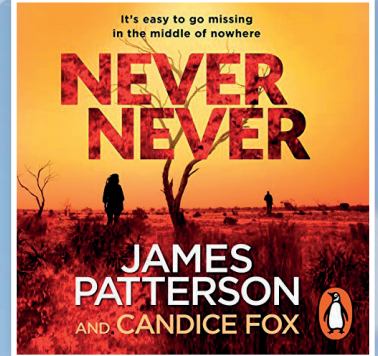
This is a fantastic and efficient service, and most importantly of all it is **FREE**.

Save yourself some extra cash this Christmas and borrow books for all the family from your local library...

Our online resources are accessible 24/7 this festive period!



Don't forget we also have a fantastic selection of digital magazines, eBooks, eAudiobooks to choose from. You can download the latest issue of your favourite magazine for FREE - there are some fantastic cooking magazines available to download to help you create a delicious Christmas feast! If you are travelling to visit family over the



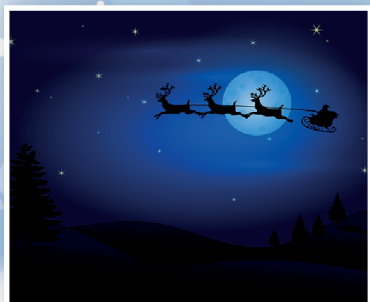
Christmas and forget to pack a book for your stay, don't fret.. you can download the Borrowbox app to your phone/tablet and choose a eBook in an instant... If by December 25th you are fed up of Christmas songs on the radio, why not download an eAudiobook and enjoy listening to a book instead!

**Christmas hours:**  
■ Our Library branches close from Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th inclusive, opening for normal Saturday hours on 28th December.

■ They re-open Tuesday 31st December until 5pm, and close on Wednesday 1st December.

■ Local Studies will close at 2pm on Monday 23rd, re-opening on Monday 30th as normal. Local studies will close on Wednesday 1st January.

■ Registered My Open Library members can access Castlecomer Library from 8am-10pm everyday (including Christmas day!)



**C**hildren and grown-up children alike are eagerly awaiting December 25th, when Santa Claus will deliver some of our requested toys and books. but here in Kilkenny County Library Service we want to let you know that you don't have to wait until Christmas morning to unwrap some fabulous books!



Did you know that in Kilkenny County Library Service we have our own "elves" who deliver books each week to library branches not just across the county, but across the entire country?

As all the public libraries in Ireland are linked, our lucky library members have access to over 12 million items in the national library catalogue all available to request. As Loughboy Library staff say - "It has revolutionised the public library service and allows us

