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*Resource Guide for Teachers and
Group Leaders*

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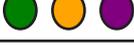
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FOREWORD

This document has been developed by the Education for Sustainable Development Forum (ESD Forum) for In-Service Teachers, Student Teachers, Youth Group Leaders, Pre School Leaders and Environmental Organisations as a guide to those who can contribute to or provide Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) in Northern Ireland.

The booklet contains details of Forum members, the education programmes that they provide, and the links those programmes have to all levels of the Northern Ireland curriculum and youth service programmes. It also contains relevant contact details, e-mail and website addresses and resources available to download or order.

The guide will provide you, as a teacher or group leader, with tangible ways to facilitate the teaching of ESD through your work, whether in a school setting, in the outdoor classroom or as leader of youth group. It gives you details of how you and your school or group can become involved in environmental education work that will lead to your students becoming more aware of their world both locally and globally, engaged with it and inspired to take action to lead more sustainable lifestyles at school and at home.

Many statutory and voluntary organisations are involved in this area of work all over Ireland and this document will allow you to see at a glance the programmes run by these groups and where they fit into your area of study.

USING THE COLOURED CODED KEY

Each entry in the document has been given a symbol at the top of the page in order to help you identify which organisation is right for you. A **GREEN** symbol indicates that the group is involved with or has an education programme which connects to the Northern Ireland Curriculum. An **ORANGE** symbol tells you that the group has a programme that can help a Youth group, whilst a **PURPLE** symbol shows that the group on that page works with Pre-School Playgroups and Nurseries.



SCHOOLS



YOUTH GROUPS



PRE SCHOOL GROUPS



**EDUCATION FOR
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EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FORUM

The Education for Sustainable Development Forum (ESD Forum) is a networking organisation that promotes a co-ordinated approach to the delivery of environmental education in Northern Ireland. Members include representatives

of central and local government, the voluntary sector and educationalists. The formal education sector and the youth service are represented at several levels. Most members are actively involved in environmental education and bring a wide range of expertise and enthusiasm to the Forum.

The Forum was established in 1995 with the aim of enhancing the profile of environmental education in the curriculum and extra-curricular activities. Through providing a forum and network for the exchange of information on environmental education, by encouraging co-operative working amongst those involved in its delivery and by promoting the role of environmental education in delivery of many curriculum subjects, the Forum plays an important role in enhancing environmental education and education for sustainable development provision in Northern Ireland.

The Forum organises a variety of activities for its members and the education sector including:

- Forum Newsletter (two per year)
- Training days for members
- Conferences (one per year)
- University ESD Days (at four Universities)
- Supporting Youth Service
- Members website and monthly E-mail Bulletins

INTRODUCTION

“Education for Sustainable Development” (ESD) is a phrase often thrown about staff rooms and meetings, but what does it mean? What is Sustainable Development, why should we be educating our children and young people on it, and where do we begin?

The education for sustainable development is about helping people to understand that, as humans continue to live on this planet, as we continue to multiply and expand across it, that there are economic, social, community and environmental considerations that we all need to be aware of. This is both about the big global questions of rising economies and global warming, for example, and also the much more constant, local issues and systems of our society here in each of our homes, villages and towns across the North of Ireland.

In the last few years, we have seen a change in our schools curriculum placing a greater emphasis on ESD and in response to the issues mentioned above, asking pupils to:-

- **Think globally act locally**
- **Cut down on waste and prevent pollution**
- **Save energy and natural resources**
- **Look after the local environment**
- **Encourage biodiversity and understand its importance to us.**

This document therefore has been compiled by the ESD Forum for in-service teachers, student teachers, youth workers and group leaders, pre-school leaders, and environmental organisations as a guide to those who can contribute to or provide ESD in NI.

The guide will provide you, as a teacher or group leader, with tangible ways to facilitate the teaching of ESD through your work, whether in a school setting, in the outdoor classroom or as leader of a youth group. It gives you details of how you and your school or group can become involved in environmental education work that will lead to your students becoming more aware of their world both local and globally, engaged with it and inspired to take action to lead more sustainable lifestyles at school and at home.

Alyn Jones
Chairman
ESD Forum Management Committee



ACTION RENEWABLES

Education Visits

Action Renewables provide a service to schools which aims to educate young people on the importance of renewable energy and its contribution to addressing climate change. There is a cost associated to schools for education visits, for more information please contact Nicola Chang on Nicola.chang@actionrenewables.co.uk

Education Programmes

The Action Renewables Education Programme, is linked to the curriculum and aims to educate young people on the importance of renewable energy and its contribution to addressing climate change. We will be starting our wind farm visits in May/June sponsored by RES. All the education material is available from our website www.actionrenewables.org/services/education/educational-resources

Green Teacher of the Year

The unique competition, sponsored by Belfast Harbour and organised through Action Renewables, called on primary school pupils across Northern Ireland to help find the region's 'greenest teacher' by nominating their teacher and explaining, in no more than 100 words, the hard work their teacher does to look after the environment and educate children about 'eco' issues.

The Green Teacher of the Year 2011 Awards came to an exciting finale at an environmental challenge day at W5, during which the six shortlisted teachers and their classes enjoyed an interactive 'Talking Rubbish' show and designed, built and trialled their own wind-powered racing machines - as well as meeting Webster the Port Monster, Belfast Harbour's Environmental Guardian.

As well as enjoying the Challenge Day, the successful teachers also won large hampers, goodie bags and tickets for their class to see the Ulster Orchestra perform the music to the Christmas classic 'The Snowman' at the Ulster Hall. The winning teacher was Mr McAllister, from Fairview Primary School, Ballyclare, he scooped the top prize in the Northern Ireland-wide search for the primary school teacher who showed most leadership and took most responsibility for the environment. The other finalists were Mr Black from Phoenix Integrated Primary School in Cookstown, Mrs McCann from Glengormley Integrated Primary School, and Mrs Griggs from Spires Primary School in Magherafelt. All other finalists received goodie bags in addition to a workshop with the Ulster Orchestra.

Nicola Murphy, Business Development Manager, Action Renewables, said: "Action Renewables is delighted to have teamed up with Belfast Harbour for the third year of this extremely successful competition, recognising primary school teachers' continued commitment to environmental projects while educating children about green issues. The Challenge Day is a great way to reward both pupils and their teachers while allowing children to learn about local and wider environmental issues in an innovative and exciting way, such as creating a wind-powered racing machine.

"It was tremendous to see so many school children interact with each other at the Challenge Day and be educated about the importance of caring for their environment in a fun-filled way. From speaking to teachers and pupils here today, it is encouraging to see so many Northern Ireland teachers and pupils with genuine enthusiasm about creating a greener environment?"



Action Renewables
the future of energy, today

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Geography
Maths
Science
Technology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS and A2

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ALLIANCE YOUTH WORKS

Alliance Youth Works, Eden (EDucation in the ENvironment) works in alliance with other agencies and organisations to bring the best environmental resources and opportunities to children, young people, disadvantaged groups and their leaders.



Biodiversity Education

We deliver formal programmes to schools, incorporating all elements of the revised curriculum for schools in Northern Ireland, particularly ‘The World Around Us’, and the youthwork curriculum. Our programmes and projects are fun, interactive, and develop a host of skills in the children and young people we work with.

Current venues and programmes are listed in the table below. More detailed descriptions of each programme and how they specifically link to the curriculum areas can be found under the ‘Teachers Zone’ within the Eden section of the Alliance Youth Works website. All programmes may be tailored to suit individual needs and potentially delivered at other venues if necessary.

AYW Eden is also a delivery partner for Eco-Schools Northern Ireland and provides outreach work to help schools achieve their ‘School Grounds’ and ‘Biodiversity’ topics.

We work with uniformed youth organisations and other non school groups wanting to undertake environmental themed badgework, or simply have a fun, educational outdoor session.

Work placement opportunities are available to PGCE students and those interested in pursuing a career in Environmental Education.

Site programmes typically run from 10a.m. to 2p.m. and currently cost £3.50 per pupil. Schools outreach work charges a call out fee of £30, plus £2.50 per pupil if an activity is involved, and travel from our local offices.

Outdoor Opportunities

AYW Eden takes groups into the outdoors to experience and work for biodiversity. In alliance with the Health and Social Care Trust, our Environmental Opportunities Worker leads four site based projects across Down and Armagh, designed to help all participants develop socially, physically and gain an appreciation of the natural world around us. The activities range from physical activity through conservation projects, working in teams, to building nest boxes and seasonal cooking and gardening. There is a strong work ethic and ethos of looking after ourselves and the world around us. Further project and site details can be found under, ‘Opportunities’ within the Eden section of the Alliance Youth Works website.

The programmes and experiences we offer are second to none so if you want to take your group on a fun and educational trip that they’ll be talking about for years - then Eden is the only option.



Check out our interactive website for further information. www.allianceyouthworks.org.uk.

Do not hesitate to contact us for advice or booking enquiries.

Curriculum Areas:

Maths & Numeracy
Language & Literacy
World Around Us
PDMU
P.E.
Art
Music
R.E.
I.C.T.

Key Stages:

Foundation, 1 and 2
plus non-school groups of
all ages and abilities

Seasons:

All year round, though
some programmes are
best suited to a particular
season.

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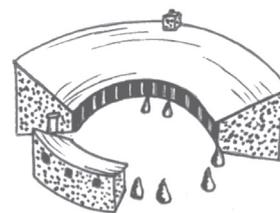
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AN CREAGÁN VISITOR CENTRE



Education Programmes

An Creagán is open all year round to school, youth and community groups and a member of the Education Team is always available to offer curriculum based activities. Our aim is to provide schools and the wider community with quality interactive educational visits covering issues such as community relations, biodiversity and environmental awareness. Programmes are tailored to meet the needs and abilities of those children taking part. Follow-up materials and teacher's handbooks are also supplied for many of our programmes.



Community Relations

Key Stages 1, 2 & 3

At An Creagán Visitor Centre we have developed an education programme based purely on developing children's understanding of community relation issues. The course has been developed to meet the more stringent requirements for community relations education in Northern Ireland. Children are encouraged to work as a team regardless of gender, colour or religion. Children are taught to question stereotypes and focus on the positive aspects of change and diversity.

An Creagán currently offers three different Community Relations Programmes. The first is a one day CR school-based visit focusing, on the idea of friendship, inclusion and equality. This fun visit, aimed at P1 - P3, incorporates games, music, art and discussion and is always a great success with the children.

Our second programme is aimed at P4 & 5 classes and is a two day visit using story as a way into discussions on fairness, diversity, bullying, rights and equality. This is a new programme and has been very popular with both teachers and children who enjoy the hands-on activities, art activities, team building games and structured discussion.

Our final, and most well established, now in its fourth year, is a four day programme based both in school and at the centre. This programme tackles stereotyping, rights and responsibilities, equality, symbols and many other citizenship related topics. The four-day programme consists of two visits on site to An Creagán and two school based days. The Programme is suitable for P6, P7 and years 8,9,10 post primary.

Biodiversity/ Environmental

Key Stages 1 & 2

Bog Studies

The practical bog study, developed at An Creagán, allows for first-hand experience of the peatland. Pupils participating in the bog study have the opportunity to see a large variety of plant and animal life, including frogs, dragonflies and the flesh eating sundew! The field studies undertaken show the rich and varied habitat contained within the bog. They provide for the development of values, attitudes and skills while helping to raise the awareness and understanding of the natural and cultural heritage of our bogs and the need for their conservation. As part of this tour children will use our new Biodiversity Trail which leads them around the bog while highlighting the types of animals they are likely to see as they walk along the trail.

Archaeology Studies

Key Stage 2

This programme allows pupils a taste of how life developed in Ireland, beginning in the Ice Age and moving through both Neolithic and Mesolithic Periods and finishing off in the Bronze Age.

Curriculum Areas:

Community Relations
History
Environment
Maths
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2 and 3

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The day begins with a visit to our new exhibition which incorporates historic information, pictures and artefacts detailing early life in Ireland. The exhibition highlights important aspects of Neolithic life, the significance of monuments and burial chambers. The tour is followed by a number of hands-on activities which can be tailored to suit the needs of the individual class.

Maths Trail

Key Stage 2

The maths trail developed at An Creagán is one of our most popular tours. Currently there are four ability-based trails available, allowing children to consolidate their classroom learning through the use of practical maths. The Red Trail caters for a Primary 4 class, the Green for Primary 5 & 6 while the Blue is more suited to Primary 6 & 7 children. We also have a Purple Trail designed specifically for children with special educational needs. Each of the tours incorporates elements of number, money, patterns, area, time, relationships and sequences, shape and space, measures and data handling. Children work in mixed ability groups to follow the questions around the centre. Teachers and pupils alike have found this to be a wonderful complement to classroom based work allowing children to put their prior learning into practice.

Story Book Trail

Key Stage 1



A collection of local traditional tales is brought to life using a series of colourful story panels leading children around the beautiful Creggan countryside.

Enjoy the experience of reading outside the classroom confines while surrounded by plant and animal life.

Curriculum Link:

This trail is suited to younger readers (K.S 1 or lower K.S 2) and could be used as part of a guided reading session or as shared reading for literacy lessons.

Summer Schemes

Caters to children of all ages

Every summer at An Creagán we offer a wide selection of activities for visiting Summer Scheme groups. We cater for groups as small as 20 up to a maximum of 90 children. Activities are of a practical nature and vary in price. All sessions last for 2 hours, after which time groups are welcome to stay at the centre for lunch or indeed extend their visit to include more than one activity.

Activities offered include:

- T- shirt design and painting
- Glass and ceramic painting
- Picture frame making
- Mask making
- Puppet making
- Making musical instruments
- Pond dipping/ bog exploration
- Story-book trail



For further information regarding any of the Educational Programmes at An Creagán please contact the Education Officer on: 028 8076 1112.

ANY BRIGHT IDEAS

What is it:

Any Bright Ideas is an initiative being steered by arts co-ordinator and artist Majella Flanagan. It is a bespoke arts education service that runs arts projects to answer the requirements of curriculum skills and learning areas such as education for sustainable development, creativity, citizenship skills, problem solving and working as a team. It can be designed to meet the particular school or groups' aims, resources and population. Recent activities includes deliver of a Peace III Programme in association with Magherafelt Council. This used film making to explore young people's attitudes to peace making, diversity and responsibility. Also Kesh - A Photo Album with the Bannagh Belles Women's group which was a photographic exhibition that presented some key moments in the history of the small but interesting Fermanagh townland.

Who it is for:

Formal and informal education sectors, from nursery school to adult, with or without disability. Participants can be either staff/classroom assistants or focused on the students. It can also assist in devising and running an Extended Schools Cluster Group.

Types of projects:

Drama, dance, visual arts, music, film-making and creative technologies. These can run in a variety of formats; a full school day, weekends, a week or longer. Of course, the longer the project runs the greater the level of achievement and outcome.

Outcomes:

The list is endless and varies with length of project, but it could include a performance of drama or dance, a fashion show, a cartoon, short film, garden artworks, games, radio programmes or art exhibitions.

The Any Bright Ideas'

Co-ordinator will hire high quality artists to deliver a programme designed for your group's specific needs. She is also responsible for purchase of materials, monitoring, evaluation, financial management and liaison with school/department staff, community members, leaving staff time to get on with their own demanding workloads.

(All artists are POCVA checked and covered with public liability insurance)



Curriculum Areas:

ESD
Art & Design
English

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS and A2

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ARDS BOROUGH COUNCIL

Environmental Education Programme

Background

The Council's achievements in the field of environmental education and associated services have been well recognised with the receipt of many awards including-

- 7 National Green Apple Awards.
- Queen Mother's Birthday Award for environmental excellence.
- Irish National Green Champions 2007.
- Cabinet Office Environmental Best Practice Award.
- Charter Mark for service excellence.

These accolades ensure that the Chief Executive's Office of Ards Borough Council, via the Borough Inspector's Office, remains one of the foremost providers of environmental education within local authorities in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Education Visits

Ards Borough Council is strongly committed to the concept of education as one means of tackling some of the environmental problems that are prevalent in society today.

A comprehensive classroom based programme is available covering such areas as litter and recycling, air pollution and climate change, landscape development and biodiversity. Opportunities for field work are also available on request.

All activities are delivered free of charge within the Ards Borough Council area.

We endeavour to provide a professional service and are always keen to listen to your comments on the programme and your suggestions on how it may be developed.

Whilst we believe the programme is comprehensive we are always willing to consider other schemes or initiatives that may be developed by schools or groups and for which Council expertise or services are required. These may include adoption and maintenance of specific areas or other more long term environmental schemes.

Resources

More detailed information on the Education Programme is available online.

A hard copy brochure can also be forwarded on request.

A limited number of 'teachers packs' are also available.



Curriculum Areas:

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Maths
Science & Technology
English

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS and A2

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ARENA NETWORK

ARENA Network is the environmental arm of Business in the Community, challenging and inspiring business and communities to improve their impacts on society through environmental programmes and benchmarking initiatives.

Business in the

Community



The ARENA Network steering group is made up of leading business organizations including:

Peter Dixon (Phoenix Natural Gas) - Chair; Business in the Community;

Confederation of British Industry;

Chartered Management Institute;

Federation of Small Businesses;

Institute of Directors;

Karl Group;

Northern Ireland Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

Northern Ireland Housing Executive;

Northern Ireland Independent Retail Trade Association;

Northern Ireland Water;

Raymond Coulter (The Henderson Group);

Royal Society of Ulster Architects;

Strategic Investment Board;

Society of Local Authority Chief Executives;

Ulster Farmers Union; and

University of Ulster

ARENA Network is a Delivery Partner for the Eco-Schools programme. ARENA Network officers are fully trained Eco-Schools Assessor and offer support to schools on the Eco-Schools programme as well as conducting Eco-Schools assessments.

ARENA Network offers programmes and services for businesses. The ARENA Network team also work with communities on a number of innovative environmental projects across Northern Ireland. ARENA Network's main strengths are the networking capabilities and the Business in the Community membership which includes 240 of the leading companies in Northern Ireland as well as government and other public sector organizations. Business in the Community also delivers a wide range of community and education programmes.

ARENA Network programmes include:

- **ARENA Network Environmental Benchmarking Survey** - Now in its 13th year, the Survey is the environmental benchmarking tool for Northern Ireland. It provides a robust and credible view of how organisations in NI take account of and manage environmental issues and how well these organisations are performing.

Curriculum Areas:

English
Maths
Science
Design & Technology,
ICT
Geography
Citizenship

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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- **Environmental Management Systems** - ARENA can help you implement an EMS to an accredited standard, including both the BS8555 and Green Dragon standards.

Environmental Audits - ARENA Network also offer environmental review audits to identify impacts, take a baseline and suggest improvements resulting in an action plan on energy, waste, water, and other issues.

- **Business and Biodiversity** - This programme is specifically designed to raise the profile of biodiversity with businesses in mind providing a practical action plan and management options using the resources available.
- **Mayday Network** - It's the biggest business movement on the planet, tackling the challenges of climate change and sharing the benefits and opportunities of smarter carbon management. Whatever your size, you can network with over 3,000 businesses across the UK to share case studies and tips on managing your energy and saving costs. Join us now at www.maydaynetwork.com

Additional Services - ARENA Network provides advice and guidance on the development of the following:

- Environmental Reporting
- Case Studies
- Corporate Responsibility
- START



John McMillan, Chief Executive, NIEA, along with Rosie Barnett and Keelin Hamill, ARENA Network, launch the 2011 Northern Ireland Environmental Benchmarking Survey



ARENA Network's Green Dragon visits Ashgrove Nursery School in June 2011



ARMAGH CITY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL

Armagh City and District Council offers a Waste Education Programme to primary and post-primary schools across the district.

Aimed at stimulating awareness of the many issues associated with waste, the programme takes pupils through the range of solutions available including waste minimisation, reuse and recycling activities. Emphasis is placed on how these solutions may be implemented locally.

The programme is available to children from Nursery age to Key Stage 4, as well as to Youth and Community Groups and anyone else who feels they could benefit from it.

Nursery Schools

This is the beginning of waste education and provides a very interactive approach to the subject. A short story is used to illustrate rubbish as a resource, following which the children will be able to sample musical instruments made from waste.

Primary and Post Primary Schools

“What a Waste” KS 1 & 2

An interactive session aimed at understanding the relevance of the 3 R`s - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle - and gaining knowledge of the variety of materials we can reuse and recycle, and how pupils can do this locally

Recycling Centre and Landfill Site Visit: KS 2, 3, & 4

We can arrange an educational visit to Armagh, Markethill, Keady or Tandragee Recycling Centres to look at the wide range of materials that can be recycled. In contrast, a visit to our local Landfill Site will enable pupils to witness the huge volume of materials “dumped” by our throw-away society, as well as learn how energy can be produced from waste!

“Turning Bananas into Flowers” KS2

Composting Workshop: pupils are encouraged to consider the value of composting their “Healthy Break” wastes. During the session, pupils will be shown the various stages of the composting process, and will finally make their own plant pots to “turn bananas into flowers”

- *All programmes can be tailored to suit the needs of the school.
- *The sessions support the Waste related themes of the Eco-Schools programme
- *Throughout the year, Armagh City and District Council also run a series of events and challenges, for example:
- *Environmental Youth Speak (Mar/Apr)



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
Technology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS, A level

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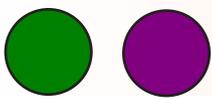
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BAGLADY PRODUCTIONS

Work with Schools

Baglady was one of the first to see that 21st century children very often know far more than their parents about the environment. Children are the main focus of Baglady's work, and their needs are her first priority. She's visited 250 schools since 2003, and since 2008 has been involved with the all Ireland Eco-UNESCO Young Environmentalist Awards for schools. On her return to Australia in 2012, she hopes to link up with schools and other organisations there.

Film and Drama

Our films document environmental issues throughout Northern Ireland and far beyond (See our website). Thousands of children and their teachers have proudly shown off their environmental knowledge and projects. We have over 70 mini-films on you tube, and more to come.

Our theme - the return to **RESPECT** for this earth and all creation - is inspired by the indigenous people of Australia and we intend to take this work as far as we can.

The "NEEDabag? 2007" project, our most ambitious and successful so far, has 16 short films made all over Northern Ireland. In the Introductory film, Baglady and the then Environment Minister, Arlene Foster, agreed with Baglady that we in Northern Ireland can show that after coming through conflict we can get together to work for the environment.

Baglady Public Appearances

Baglady speaks in public, meets people, investigates, facilitates workshops, acts, writes, and more. She goes anywhere, but insists on travelling ASAP (As Sustainably as Possible), and works with all ages: KIDS and ALLS (Adults Learning to Live Sustainably). Baglady has appeared at shopping centres, town centres, tourist attractions, village fairs, festivals, fun days, cultural events and conferences. She supports community litterpicks and promotes them through website facebook, twitter etc.

Work with Government

Baglady initiated the Australian government's work on plastic bags in 2001, and launched Ballymena's first two Environment Weeks, in 2003 and 2004.

The successful NEEDabag? campaign, to reduce/eliminate plastic carrier bag use, idea was piloted in Ballymena in 2004, funded by EHS/NIEA and 10 councils in 2005, then fully by EHS/NIEA and then NI Screen in 2006-7 bringing in almost all the 26 councils.

Working with government has become much more personal since the launch of Pledge ASAP (As Sustainably As Possible) in 2009, when the first 3 MLAs to pledge were Naomi Long, Brian Wilson and Daithi Mackay. In 2010, the launch of KIDS Pledge ASAP, and visit of children from 6 schools to the Northern Ireland Assembly on Midsummer's Day 2010, which inspired 18 MLAs to take their pledges [see film Pledge on the Hill on website and Youtube] One year later, nearly half of all MLAs had pledged and the numbers are expected to rise still further. The ASAP Pledge: Give up one thing, take up one thing, to live more sustainably: it's a simple way for people to show they care. Whether funded or not, Baglady has worked with people at all levels of government, in Department of Environment NI, Department of Education NI, and other related departments in Northern Ireland, the UK and Ireland. Further work is planned for 2011 and 2012. See our website for further information and updates.



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All

Key Stages:

All

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BANBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Education continues to be critical to the success of waste management within the Banbridge district and the Council's in-house education programme assists in providing information on waste management and increases awareness of various environmental issues. This programme consists of talks and presentations to all groups from pre-school to youth groups and tries to allow interactive learning through quizzes, games and crafts.

Banbridge District Council currently offers a range of environmental projects throughout the year.

Eco-week:

During Eco-Week the Council organises an outreach programme to all schools in the district to children of Key Stages 2, 3 and 4. W5 delivers a unique interactive show on the importance of citizenship and the environment and last year over 60% of schools and over 1500 pupils were involved.

Environmental Youth-speak:

Banbridge District Council organises the Environmental Youthspeak competition every year. The aim of the competition is to get children to think carefully about environmental issues and speak on the given topic. This competition has been a tremendous success in the past with representatives from Banbridge going on to the regional and Northern Ireland finals.

Yellow Woods Challenge:

Each year pupils from all schools in the Banbridge district are invited to recycle copies of their Yellow Pages Directories, diverting large quantities of paper from landfill, and the top performing schools are rewarded for their recycling efforts.

Bee Safe:

The scheme is a multi-agency community safety initiative aimed at encouraging 10 and 11 year olds to adopt good safety habits and encouraging environmental awareness.

Cash for clobber:

Cookstown Textile Recyclers (CTR), in conjunction with Banbridge District Council, runs a hugely successful 'Cash for Clobber' scheme. The scheme prevents textiles from being sent to landfill and allows schools to earn money for use in various school projects.

Recycling Centre Education Room:

Banbridge District Council has expanded the community recycling centre in Banbridge and includes an education room which is available to all schools and groups in the Banbridge district. This room facilitates talks on waste management and sustainability which can be tailored to suit any age or type of group as necessary. There is an interactive 'smart board' which allows groups to play games and quizzes through touch-screen technology. This incorporates a tour of the site, highlighting the eco-features which include a filtration reed-bed, solar panels for heating hot water, rainwater harvesting and a biodiversity area. This site tour provides information on how the waste is managed and where the materials go to be reprocessed or recycled.



BANBRIDGE
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4
Pre school
After schools

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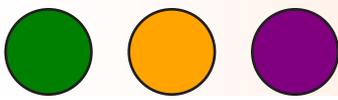
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BELFAST CITY COUNCIL

Waste Education for Schools and Community Groups

Our Resource Education Team offers free trips, talks and workshops to all schools and community groups in the Belfast City Council area.

All our work focuses on the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle theme and the work of the Waste Management Service.

Programmes are available for community groups, church groups, parents groups etc. Please contact us for more information.

We offer six main packages to schools. Most can be adapted to suit the age and ability of the groups involved.

1. Mr Rat's Recycling Roadshow

A simple and fun introduction to the topic of recycling for young children using a story, pictures, examples and a 'Mr Rat' puppet. 30 minutes. (Nursery, Years 1 and 2 only)

2. Reduce, reuse and recycle quiz

This quiz uses Qwizdom remote voting equipment (similar to 'Who wants to be a Millionaire') and is a fun and interactive way of learning about our Reduce, Reuse and Recycle message. Can be adapted to cover a specific topic e.g. materials or resources. 45 to 60 minutes.

3. Visits to our recycling centres

Visits can be arranged to our recycling centres at Blackstaff Way, Palmerston Road, Alexandra Park Avenue and Ormeau to show how our waste is managed, the additional materials collected and give information about where our materials go to be reused or recycled. These visits usually last between 30 and 45 minutes.

All groups must arrange their own transport to the recycling centres.

4. Composting and recycling quiz

Classroom talk and quiz focused on composting (nature recycling) and the link with household recycling. The session covers how to reduce food waste, home composting units, wormeries and composting mini-beasts. 60 minutes.

5. Craft sessions with recycled or reused materials

Various recycled crafts can be made, including cards, signs etc. Can be done as a seasonal workshop e.g. Christmas, Easter, Halloween etc. 30-60minutes

6. Paper recycling workshop

Turn your classroom into a paper recycling factory! This workshop takes the group through the entire recycling process, with each pupil making a piece of recycled cardboard from old newspapers. Suitable for a wide range of abilities and is a very 'hands on' activity. Session lasts 60 minutes without a presentation or 90 minutes with a presentation. (Year 4 and up)



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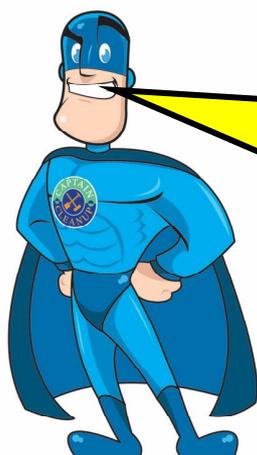
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BELFAST CITY COUNCIL



HI TEACHERS!

**I'M CAPTAIN CLEANUP... AND
I'M HERE TO CLEAN UP OUR
CITY!**

YOUR SCHOOL CAN APPLY



Anti-Litter Education Pack - Key Stages 1 & 2

Post Primary Anti-Litter Education Pack Key Stages 3 & 4

Belfast City Council has launched an anti-litter campaign which aims to make Belfast a cleaner and brighter place. Litter affects all areas and is a topic young people can understand and do something about.

To make it easy for schools to get involved we have designed an education pack which supports the Northern Ireland Curriculum and encourages cross-curricular working with the development of knowledge, skills and understanding. The pack includes teachers notes, lesson ideas, work sheets, fact sheets and activities. Topics included in the pack include:

What is litter?

Dangerous Litter.

Who drops litter?

How do we stop litter?

Who cleans the streets?

Who collects the bin?

The education pack is supported by a free Belfast City Council anti-litter talk and activities with your class or assembly.

The Community Awareness Team can also offer -

- Interactive anti-litter talks to a class or assembly.
- Help and support to organise a cleanup.
- Posters and information leaflets.
- Clean up kit.
- Captain Cleanup computer game. (KS 1 & 2)

To find out more contact us by:

Email: catcleansing@belfastcity.gov.uk **Tel:** 028 9050 0501



Post Primary Anti-litter Education



The Community Awareness Team can offer free anti litter talks and activities to your school.

The aim is to encourage young adults to take an active role in improving their local environment by not dropping litter.

Available FREE to your school –

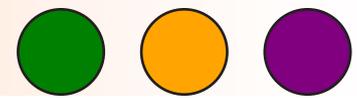
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The Community Awareness Team can also offer -

- Interactive anti-litter talks.
- Anti-litter sessions using our interactive 'Qwizdom handsers'.
- Help and support to organise a cleanup.
- Posters and information leaflets.

For further information or to arrange an anti-litter awareness session, contact us on 028 9050 0501 or e-mail catcleansing@belfastcity.gov.uk





BELFAST EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

The Belfast Education and Library Board (BELB) was established in 1973 as the local authority responsible for education, youth and library services within the city.

The board is committed to providing a quality education, library and youth service which contributes to life-long learning for all the people of Belfast. In order to achieve this, the board undertakes a range of duties and services through its five departments.

The education department is responsible for:

- Curriculum advice and support service for teachers,
- Education psychology service,
- City of Belfast School of Music,
- Education welfare service,
- Special education,
- Youth service,

The Belfast Education and Library Board provides a range of educational and support services to schools within the board area. It is committed to providing a quality education, library and youth service which contributes to life-long learning for all the people of Belfast.

The board provides training for teachers on a wide range of topics, including the revised Northern Ireland curriculum.

Support is available to teachers who want advice on the delivery of education for sustainable development in the classroom.

Guidance is also available on running schools in more sustainable ways e.g. monitoring energy usage and efficiency. Contact Simon Ball on 028 9056 4169 for advice and information.



Curriculum Areas:
Areas of learning

Key Stages:
1,2,3,4 and 5

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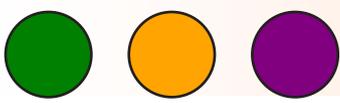
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BELFAST ZOO

There are three main options for using the zoo's Education Service



1. Full Education Visit

This service is available all year round for £18.40* per class (max 35 pupils), in addition to the normal group admission fee. It includes

An interactive session with:-

- An Education Officer and a small team of live animals in the zoo's Education Centre, duration: 30 min. for Pre-school and Key Stage 1 and 45 min. for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3.

- An interactive CD which contains:-

- a) a trail to follow round the zoo on your own;
- b) topic information for teachers which can be used as a basis for work in the school before and/or after the visit to the zoo;
- c) a trail map and pupils' work sheets for work in the zoo;



- d) pupils' worksheets for follow-up work.

- Free admission to the zoo for three teachers per class.

- Full Education Topics include:

Pre-school & Key Stage 1: 'Let's Look at Animals', 'Colours and Patterns', 'What's for Dinner?'

Key Stage 2: 'All Kinds of Animals', 'Camouflage', 'Food and Energy'.

Key Stage 3: 'Survival'; 'Classification'.

2. Self-Guided Visit

This service is available all year round for £12.40* per class in addition to the normal group admission fee. It includes:

- An interactive CD which contains:

- a) a trail to follow round the zoo on your own;
- b) topic information for teachers which can be used as a basis for work in the school before and/or after the visit to the zoo;
- c) a trail map and pupils' work sheets for work in the zoo;
- d) pupils' worksheets for follow-up work.

- Free admission to the zoo for three teachers per class.

- Self-Guided Topics include:

'African Animal Trail' (all Key Stages);

'Animal Tails Trail' (all Key Stages);

'Can You Survive?' (Key Stages 2 & 3).



3. The Outreach Service

This service is available from September to March. Cost varies according to the distance from the Zoo and the number of people using the service per visit. Up to 15 miles : 80p* per person with a minimum charge of £47.60* 15–30 miles : £1.20* per person with a minimum charge of £78.20* 30+miles : £1.70* per person with a minimum charge of £101.30*.

The Outreach Service includes :

- A visit to the school by an Education Officer, accompanied by carefully selected small animals and a curriculum-based 'meet the animals' sessions. Duration 45 min. for KeyStage 1 and 1 hour for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3.

*Prices are until March 31, 2012.



Curriculum Areas:

English
Geography
Maths
Science

Key Stages:

Pre-school & KS1, 2 and 3

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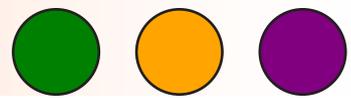
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BRITISH COUNCIL

British Council works with policy makers and practitioners in school sectors in the UK and worldwide to:



- create opportunities for young people to develop the intercultural understanding, knowledge and skills required to be competitive in the global marketplace
- develop understanding and trust between young people in the UK and in different societies around the world, creating a safer and more connected and sustainable world for the future
- build international recognition for the UK's areas of expertise in school education
- establish international trust in the UK as a facilitator of educational excellence and natural partner of choice in education.

British Council Schools Online www.britishcouncil.org/schoolsonline is a one stop global portal for teachers around the world to find school partners, accredit their international work, find teaching resources, enhance their professional development, join online international forums to enrich education and encourage active global citizenship.

Register today for all of the above plus information about funding through Comenius, E-Twinning and other school partnership programmes, the International School Award, hosting a French, German, Spanish, Italian or Chinese Language Assistant in your school, up-coming events, programme deadlines, receive you e-newsletter with all the programme updates, read case studies, create your own online project space.

Key Activities:

Promotion of School Partnership programmes across the world and Comenius Life Long Learning Programmes which encourage intercultural dialogue, local and global citizenship and supports delivery of the NI curriculum.

Advice and support aimed at teachers and young people involved in school partnerships
Professional development for teachers.

Topics Covered: through joint curriculum projects, school partnerships support schools to

- develop a global dimension within the curriculum
- raise young people's awareness of global issues
- engage in intercultural dialogue
- develop mutual understanding and reflection about their own culture and more positive attitudes to others' countries and cultures.

Curriculum Areas:
English
Language

Key Stages:
Nursery, K.S. 1, 2

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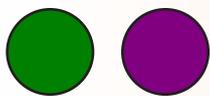
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BRYSON CHARITABLE GROUP EDUCATION UNIT

Bryson Charitable Group is one of Northern Ireland's oldest charities. The Education Unit started in 1986 providing a free environmental programme to schools in Belfast. We now deliver an Energy Efficiency programme to schools throughout Northern Ireland and a waste and recycling programme to schools in selected areas.

Programmes Available

Bryson Education currently offers education programmes on energy efficiency and waste. The energy efficiency programme is delivered Province wide, but you need to contact us for availability of the waste programme.

Energy

The Energy Efficiency programme is Curriculum linked and available as a one hour classroom presentation for Key Stage Two classes. During the presentation the pupils learn about how most of our electricity is generated, problems this causes, alternative sources of electricity and how we can reduce the amount of energy we use in our homes and at school.

Rethink Waste

In 2010, Bryson Education along with Tidy NI were successful in obtaining funding from the Department of the Environment through the Rethink Waste programme to run a pilot waste minimisation programme.

The project was delivered to 21 primary schools and raised awareness of waste issues and the waste hierarchy emphasising the importance of prevention and reuse before recycling and finally looking at the problems and issues associated with disposal.

Following the success of the pilot, the partners decided to expand the project in 2011 to include 42 schools across Northern Ireland, both primary and post primary.

Schools across Northern Ireland have been challenged to think about ways they can reduce, reuse and recycle all the paper and plastic they are using by participating in a "Rethink Waste" initiative facilitated by Bryson Charitable Group and TIDY Northern Ireland's Eco-Schools'.

The "Rethink Waste" project encourages pupils to stop unwanted junk mail coming to their homes and providing them with reusable water bottles. The schools will also avail of workshops bursting with ideas and activities for the children to implement both in school and at home.

This WRAP funded project aims to raise young people's awareness about the impact of paper and plastic waste on the environment, to engage their families in reducing consumption and to help participating Eco-Schools to achieve the prestigious international Green Flag status.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
Technology

Key Stages:

Nursery, K.S. 1, 2 and 3

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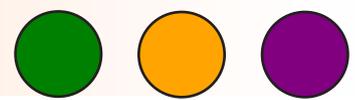
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CARNFUNNOCK COUNTRY PARK

Carnfunnock Country Park offers a wide range of environmental education activities for all groups wishing to use the park. Our education programme can be tailored to suit students from primary to university level and covers topics which relate to the running of the country park and it's coastal entrance.

All the activities are provided by our local Duty Officer who has great experience in providing environmental education programmes and also has knowledge of the Revised Curriculum for N. Ireland.

We have the good fortune to be able to provide programmes covering a number of habitats from woodland to freshwater to seashore. We are available for bookings throughout the year and can tailor the activities to suit the season.

Outside of the school term we also provide a summer scheme which again has environmental education as its main focus.

Schools can also visit the Park and take part in the downloadable activities available on our website without the need to book the Duty Officer. The worksheets cover activities such as the maths trail and the world of trees. We also have an extensive orienteering trail which schools can use when they come to visit or as a stand-alone exercise.

Activities

Key stage 1&2—Freshwater habitat, freshwater invertebrates, woodland habitat, mini beast hunts, birds, nature games, sea shore habitat, scavenger hunts, food chains and life cycles.



Key stage 3 & 4—Ecosystems, habitat surveys, sampling techniques, land usage and map reading.

Other Groups- Can participate in any of the activities stated above along with craft activities and guided walks.

Costs and Bookings

The material on the website is free to download provided it is not for commercial use. If your visit is between St. Patrick's Day and October then there will normally be a charge for coach parking. Outside of this entrance to the car park is free. Price for environmental education programmes provided by Carnfunnock Country Park staff have a £2 per child charge.



Curriculum Areas:

The World Around Us
(Science, Geography, Maths, Art & Design, English, History)

Key Stages:

1,2,3 &4 plus further and higher education

Season:

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CASTLEREAGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Talks and Visits



The Castlereagh Borough Council Waste Education Programme, which is linked to the curriculum, aims to educate young people on the importance of Reduction, Reuse and Recycling of their waste.

Reduce Reuse Recycle

Nursery School is the beginning of an education in recycling and our programme provides a very interactive approach to the subject with activities such as stories, games and simple crafts.

Our primary education programme aims to increase the knowledge, understanding, and interest of pupils in what they can do in the home and school to reduce their waste.

The programme is tailored to each school group's requirements and uses an interactive method to encourage children to think about their personal contribution towards reducing, reusing and recycling their waste.

There is also an option to undertake practical activities such as a litter pick in their local area or arts and crafts activities using waste and recycled products.

Our post primary programme incorporates presentations to increase knowledge and encourage young people to take action in their own lives both at home and at school.

This service is available all year round, free of charge for all groups within the Council area. These visits are customised to suit the requirements of the school and can involve taking an assembly, taking the whole school or simply one age group. School visits are arranged on a first-come, first-served basis.

We also use video and interactive presentations and activities designed to show children the problems rubbish can cause and encourage them to reduce, re-use and recycle.

Castlereagh Borough Council also has access to a bespoke educational vehicle that can be booked to visit a school for a day.

Curriculum Areas:

Art
Geography
History
Science

Key Stages:

Nursery, 1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS, and A level

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CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS HERITAGE TRUST

Causeway Coast & Glens Heritage Trust (CCGHT) is a small not for profit organisation established in May 2002 and based in Armoyn, a gateway to the Causeway Coastal Route, which stretches from Belfast to (London)Derry, the Glens of Antrim and to the Giants Causeway World Heritage Site. NI Environment Agency has given CCGHT responsibility for the protection and management of three Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) and part of a fourth within the geographical area of the Trust.

An Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is exactly what it says it is: a precious landscape whose distinctive character and natural beauty are so outstanding that it is in the nation's interest to safeguard them. There are 46 AONBs in England, Wales and N. Ireland.

The Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty in the Trust's area are:



CCGHT provides a secretariat service for the management groups of these 3 AONBs, it also leads the development and the implementation of the AONB Management Plans. The Antrim Coast and Glens AONB Management Plan was produced in 2008, the Binevenagh AONB Management Plan in 2010 and the Causeway Coast AONB Management is currently being reviewed. Since 2011 CCGHT also services the Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast World Heritage Site Management Group and leads the review of the WHS Management Plan.

The Causeway Coast & Glens Heritage Trust is governed by a board of 13 directors representing, Local Authority; tourism, educational, environmental and community sectors and an expert team of advisers and observers. In light of the Minister of the Environment, Alex Attwood's firm advocacy of the concept of National Parks in Northern Ireland, a strong, well resourced and locally supported organisation such as the Causeway Coast & Glens Heritage Trust is ideally placed to support, promote and advocate the concept. As part of our AONB Raising Awareness programme CCGHT has created and updated an interactive, educational and visually engaging website. www.ccght.org The Trust produces a wide range of illustrated newsletters, posters, postcards, topic guidelines on the heritage of the area including:

- Causeway Coast Natural Heritage Site Directory
- Colours of the Causeway - a flora guide for the Causeway Coast AONB
- Life in the Sea off the Antrim Coast - a marine guide for the Antrim Coast & Glens AONB
- Birds of Binevenagh- a bird-life guide for Binevenagh AONB
- Finn's Gallery - a photographic trail through the Causeway Coast AONB
- The Glens through the Lens - a collection of images from the Antrim Coast & Glens AONB

Sustainable development/tourism is part of our remit and we are thrilled to have achieved the European Sustainable Tourism Charter across the 3 AONBs in 2011. CCGHT is involved in a new, exciting and innovative sustainable tourism project entitled ÉCONOMUSÉE. Local, skilled craft artisans open their doors to visitors and allow tourists to watch them at work, learn about the traditional skills and techniques involved in making their craft and encourages economic growth locally. The DETI Minister Arlene Foster opened Marion Woodburn Jewellery as the first UK based Économusée on behalf of the Causeway Coast & Glens Heritage Trust in Ballymena Borough Council in February 2011.

The Trust is delighted to announce that we have been successful in our 'Heart of the Glens' application to the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme and will develop £1.5m worth of projects over the next 6 years, which together will provide long-term social, economic and environmental benefits for the rural area of the Antrim Glens. You can follow the work of the Causeway Coast & Glens Heritage Trust on our website, Facebook and Twitter.



CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS
HERITAGE TRUST

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, 4

Seasons

Year Round

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CENTRE FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION

What is the Centre for Global Education?

The Centre for Global Education is a resource base for global and developing world studies. It promotes a form of education designed to increase understanding of international development issues and encourage action that will tackle the problems underpinning poverty and inequality throughout the world.

The Centre was established in 1986 to challenge stereotypes of developing countries prominent in our society and provide education services that offer a closer examination of the factors underpinning poverty in the developing world. The Centre encourages learners at a local level to examine the shared historical and contemporary links between Ireland and developing countries including famine, conflict and colonialism. These links are explored through publications, conferences, seminars and training workshops delivered to local audiences.

What is Development Education?

The Centre promotes a form of education that is variably called development education, global education, global citizenship or development awareness. All of these labels share the following components:

- An exploration of development issues such as globalisation, trade, justice, conflict, gender, the environment and child work.
- Promoting values, skills, attitudes, knowledge and understanding consistent with social justice and equality.
- The use of active learning methodologies to foster independent, critical thinking, self-confidence, self-awareness and good communication skills.
- Work with a wide range of target groups from pre-school through to adult groups such as teachers, student teachers, adult educators and youth workers.
- The provision of resources for use in the formal and non-formal education sectors.
- Encouraging action that will effect social change. It is imperative that learners take action that will address poverty-related problems at local and international levels. As the writer Alice Walker stated 'activism is my rent for living on this planet'.

Development Education Journal

The Centre receives financial support from Irish Aid to publish a bi-annual development education journal, *Policy and Practice: A Development Education Review*. The journal carries high quality, peer-reviewed articles on themes central to development education practice such as Global Citizenship, links with the global South, and research in DE. For further information on the journal contact: stephen@centreforglobaleducation.com

Resource Base

The Centre has a resource base on its premises that is accessible by teachers and schools and contains the most complete collection of materials on development issues available in Northern Ireland. These materials include teaching packs, books, visual aids and periodicals. To check out our resources catalogue and order teaching materials linked to the curriculum from Key Stages 1-4, please visit: www.centreforglobaleducation.com or contact us directly.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
 History
 Local and Global
 Citizenship
 Religious Education
 Mathematics
 English

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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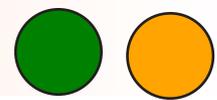
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CHILDREN IN CROSSFIRE

Children in Crossfire is a non government development organisation based in Derry/Londonderry and has been working in countries throughout the world to fight poverty and promote social justice. The charity was established by Richard Moore who, at the age of 10, was blinded by a rubber bullet. A decade ago, he decided to dedicate his life to the service of humanity, particularly children around the world who have been caught in crossfire, poverty and hunger. Recently we have established projects in Ethiopia and Tanzania, working with local people and grassroots organisations.



In addition to the overseas work that we undertake, we also work at home in Ireland running a range of development education programmes. Within the north west of Ireland we are committed to supporting the learning and growth of people in their knowledge around local and global issues. The development education team works within schools and also within the local community to pass on knowledge and skills that will empower both individuals and communities to participate in action for a more just, equal and shared world.

The Development Education team are involved in various projects, including:

- TIDAL- an accredited (OCN) course aimed at developing the confidence and skills of post-primary teachers using creative and participative methodologies, exploring values and incorporating a global dimension into their teaching and the wider school community. The course is part of a wider 3-year project which aims to promote active citizenship through providing training for teachers and showcasing a play around schools, using theatre as a tool for social change.
- Outside of schools we do work with women’s groups, businesses, youth and community groups and churches, raising awareness and encouraging action towards creating a more just and equal world.
- We also host monthly seminars aimed at the general public, exploring issues such as ethical consumption, women’s rights, energy and resources.

Curriculum Areas:
All

Key Stages:
1, 2, 3 and 4

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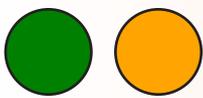
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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL ENTERPRISE (CAFRE)

The aim of the College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise (CAFRE) is to develop the competences and values of people entering and working in the agri-food industry.



The current provision of further and higher education full-time and part-time programmes are based at our three campuses - Enniskillen, Greenmount and Loughry. These include programmes in Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering, Equine, Floristry, Food, Horticulture and Veterinary Nursing.

(1) The following programmes are available to school groups:-



CAFRE has teamed up with the RSPB to encourage a greater understanding of the role that farmers play in caring for the environment. Specially designed outdoor curriculum-linked primary and secondary school education programmes are delivered at the Enniskillen & Greenmount campuses. The learning experiences are designed to be hands on and are delivered by trained field teachers from our partner organization.

Issues covered include:

- Sustainable farming and your food
- Biodiversity and endangered species
- Waste management
- Managing land for wildlife
- Pollution

The CAFRE trail programmes are by arrangement by contacting the relevant campus and there is charge for this programme.

(2) Curriculum support programme for secondary school sector

Specialised curriculum support in relation to the land-based sector is available to secondary / grammar schools in the form of work shops, field visits and teacher training. General support relating to the A -level biology syllabus is through "Science Week" events in the spring term. Customised support may be available for other secondary school programmes subject to demand and resource availability.

For further information contact the relevant personnel at the appropriate campus;

Enniskillen Campus - Sharon McLaren;

Greenmount Campus - Deidre Cooper; and

Loughry Campus - Sandra Witherspoon

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
 Maths
 Science
 Technology
 Citizenship
 The World around Us

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, 4, Further
 & Higher Education
 programmes

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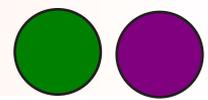
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CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS NORTHERN IRELAND

Conservation Volunteers Northern Ireland (CVNI) is the leading practical conservation charity. Our vision is for a better environment where people are valued, included and involved and our mission is to create a more sustainable future by inspiring people and improving places. Conservation Volunteers Northern Ireland provides local support for environmental projects from our local offices in Bangor, Belfast, Castle Archdale in Fermanagh, Coleraine and Londonderry/Derry.



*Conservation Volunteers
Northern Ireland*

School Grounds Development Projects

CVNI can support work to improve school grounds anywhere in Northern Ireland from one of our five local offices. Our aim is to involve pupils and teachers in the design, implementation, maintenance and use of school grounds projects. Teachers are encouraged to maximise opportunities to incorporate the Northern Ireland Curriculum into as many aspects of their school grounds as possible. We can help implement projects to create or improve ponds, trees, woodlands, wildflower meadows, hedges, paths and living willow structures. This work can involve children, teachers and parents, but we can also undertake work on our own, including jobs that might not be suitable for children to do. Costs are variable depending upon project size, duration and materials required.

Food Growing Projects

CVNI has significant expertise in growing fruit and vegetables and supporting schools and communities across Northern Ireland in food growing projects. We can help with vegetable garden design and establishing the seasonal food growing cycle, whether you are working with window boxes or half an acre of land.

Supply of Native Trees

Our tree nursery, at Clondeboye Estate near Bangor, grows native trees including Alder, Ash, Birch, Blackthorn, Cherry, Crab Apple, Elder, Hawthorn, Hazel, Oak, Rowan, Willow and Wych Elm. Bare-rooted trees up to 3 feet tall are available between November and March, typically costing between 40 pence and 90 pence per tree. Larger sizes of tree and container grown trees are also available.

Supply of Wild Flowers

At our wild flower nursery we grow a selection of native plants suitable for creating wildflower meadows and other wildlife areas.

Training Courses and Accredited Qualifications

CVNI runs a programme of one and two day training events in subjects like tree planting, dry stone walling and habitat creation. We are also a City & Guilds Centre for delivery of a range of vocational qualifications in horticulture and environment.

For further information contact our nearest office:

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- **County Fermanagh and Tyrone** - Tel: 028 6862 8184, E-mail: cvni-fermanagh@cvni.org.uk
- **County Antrim & East Londonderry** - Tel: 028 7035 5352, E-mail: cvni-coleraine@cvni.org.uk
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- **Tree nursery** - Tel: 028 9185 3570, E-mail: cvni-nursery@cvni.org.uk
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Curriculum Areas:

Ecology
 Biology
 Art and Design
 English
 Geography
 Maths
 Personal Development & Mutual Understanding
 The World Around Us
 Citizenship
 ESD

Key Stages:

Foundation, 1, 2, 3 and 4

Contact:

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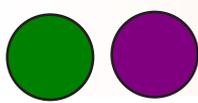
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COUNCIL FOR THE CURRICULUM, EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT

The Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment (CCEA) is a non-departmental public body reporting to the Department of Education in Northern Ireland. CCEA is a unique educational body in the UK, bringing together the three areas of curriculum, examinations and assessment.

We advise government - On what should be taught in Northern Ireland's schools and colleges.

We monitor standards - Ensuring that the qualifications and examinations offered by awarding bodies in Northern Ireland are of an appropriate quality and standard.

We award qualifications - As Northern Ireland's leading awarding body CCEA offers a diverse range of qualifications, such as GCSE's, including the new GCSE Double Award specifications, vocational qualifications, GCE A and AS levels, Entry Level Qualifications, Key Skills and Essential Skills.

We support schools - CCEA is committed to helping schools prepare to meet the statutory requirements of the curriculum, assessment and reporting arrangements. We produce materials for use in schools to support examinations and the curriculum. A comprehensive range of support is available for both teachers and learners, visit www.ccea.org.uk for more details.

Our Mission and Values

CCEA places learners and those who have a concern for their educational and personal development at the forefront of its thinking.

CCEA's mission is: "To enable the full potential of all learners to be achieved and recognised".

Delivering the Best Possible Service

CCEA is committed to continuous improvement in all aspects of our business and making sure CCEA staff have the skills they need to deliver a first class service.



Rewarding Learning

Curriculum Areas:
All

Key Stages:
All

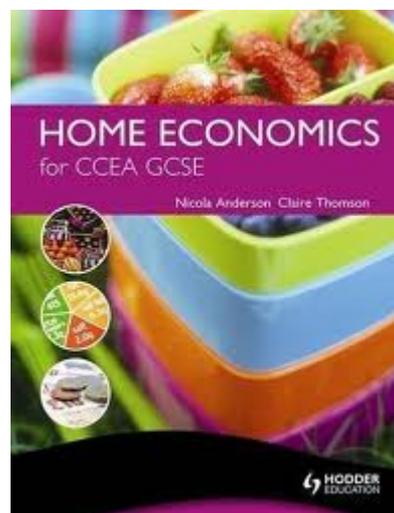
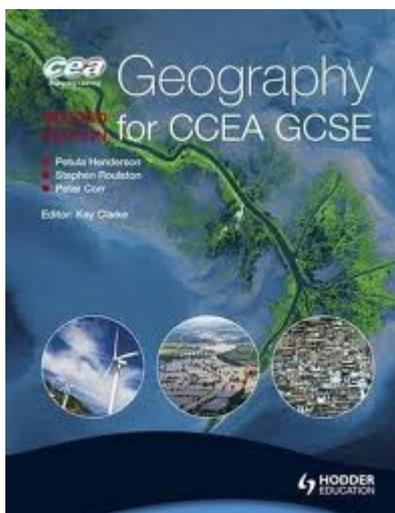
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CRAIGAVON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Free Recycling Education Programme

With recycling now such an important aspect of everyday life, education for all is vitally important. Craigavon Borough Council offers a free education programme on the importance of recycling to children from nursery age to Key Stage 3 as well as community groups, church groups and anyone else who feels they could benefit from it.

Nursery Schools

This is the beginning of an education in recycling and provides a very interactive approach to the subject. A toy bin lorry is used to illustrate where rubbish goes and the children get to touch and feel a lot of materials that are recyclable.

Primary Schools

The concept of the 'Three R's' is brought in at this level through a short presentation, a DVD and a quiz on what the children have seen and heard throughout the lesson. They will also be able to see a range of products that have been made from recycled materials.

Secondary Schools

This follows on from the primary school programme but takes it to a more detailed level.

All programmes can be changed or altered to suit the needs of the teacher, and are directly linked into waste issues and bin schemes within homes in the Borough of Craigavon.

On top of delivering these programmes, the Council also offers visits to the local civic amenity sites where children can see at first hand where material can be taken for recycling.

Teachers can also be provided with classroom education packs on waste issues which include a number of projects that can be used as a follow-up to the school visit. Each project is cross-curricular.

The Council can also aid those schools who want to become involved in the European recognised Eco-Schools programme.

Cluster meetings for teachers are arranged bi-annually to discuss the programme and act as a medium to share ideas.

Presentations can be carried out all year round and outside working hours so that Women's Institutes, Girls' Brigades, Boys' Brigades, community groups and youth groups can all avail of the service.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
Technology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4
Pre-school
After-schools

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CREGGAN COUNTRY PARK

Creggan Country Park Enterprises is a not-for-profit social firm established in February 1997, located on the 100-acre former Creggan Reservoirs site on the Northern boundary of Derry's Creggan estate. It aims to provide balanced opportunities in training, employment, recreation and education for the local community.



There is a wide range of activities available for visitors including canoeing, kayaking, sailing, team building exercises, assault course, orienteering and the recently introduced environmental education programme 'Nature's Classroom.' Creggan Country Park works continuously to encourage environmental awareness through programmes of environmental education, planting and community clean up programmes and a robust development programme incorporating renewable energy technologies which include a 20kW wind turbine and a hydro-electric scheme. The Creggan Country Park activity centre also features a turf roof which is designed for energy efficiency.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
History

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS and A2

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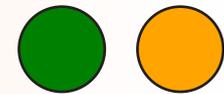
'Nature's Classroom' is funded by the Department of Social Development and is available for schools and community groups free of charge all year round. Activities can take place on our 100-acre site or alternatively our Environmental Officer can bring the activities to you! There are 13 educational themes to choose from including 'Power from the Planet or Renewable Energy Workshop' which gets pupils up close to renewable technologies. The Big Bug Hunt and Tremendous Tree Hunt are fantastic ways to get pupils up close to nature. We have recently introduced an historical tour of our site led by local Blue Badge tour guide Michael Cooper. Pupils will learn about how the site was developed from being the city's main water supply to the outdoor pursuits facility it is today.



The Primary education programme links into the subject area 'The World Around Us' in the revised curriculum for NI. Our post primary themes are related to Learning for Life & Work—local and global citizenship, Geography and Science in the revised curriculum.

School visits are arranged on a first come first served basis. Activities available on site and require advanced booking.





DOGS TRUST

Cathy Clyde is one of our twelve nationwide Education officers, based at Ballymena Rehoming Centre. Cathy delivers FREE workshops in schools and youth groups all over Northern Ireland to help children learn about responsible dog ownership and staying safe around dogs.



Education workshops

Our aim is to teach children about responsible dog ownership whilst at primary school. We believe that by educating the dog owners of tomorrow we can reduce the problem of stray, abandoned and ill-treated dogs in the future. Cathy spends approximately an hour with a class and teachers can choose the theme of the workshop. As workshops are closely linked with the Revised Curriculum we offer a range of themes, teachers often book follow-up workshops or annual visits. Although Cathy's work is based mainly in Primary Schools, she also visits Secondary Schools and Special Schools on a regular basis.

The general topics covered during a workshop are -

- A Dog's Needs
- Staying safe Around Dogs
- Responsible Dog Ownership
- Careers and the work of Dogs Trust

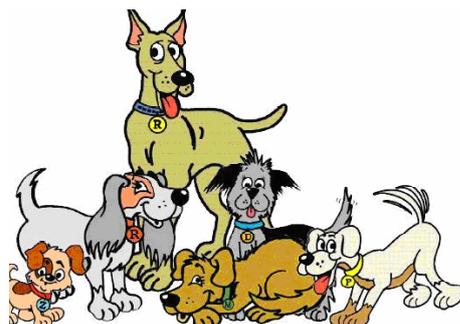
The sessions are interactive with lots of room for discussion, debates and role playing, as we want the children to leave feeling positive about responsible dog ownership. Cathy often takes one of her own dogs into the classroom. This is an excellent opportunity for practical learning, and really brings lessons to life for pupils. Each child is presented with a certificate and a small gift which has lots of information about responsible dog ownership, caring for and staying safe around dogs. It is hoped that by taking this information home that our key messages will also reach siblings, parents and the wider community.

Feedback from teachers and pupils alike shows that our key messages are getting through to parents. This ensures future generations of dog owners take their responsibilities seriously and highlights the importance of our education work in Northern Ireland.

Web resources

Our dedicated website for schools www.learnwithdogs.co.uk has a variety of curriculum linked classroom resources.

Introduce the theme of responsible dog ownership with our Assembly resource, learn more about how Dogs Trust looks after dogs with our Citizenship resource, or use our Drama role play to help pupils really understand how a dog feels.



Curriculum Areas:

Resources:

KS1/2 Maths, Science, Citizenship, English/Literacy, Drama, Design Technology.
KS3/4 English, History, Citizenship, Business Studies.

Workshops PDMU

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, AS and A2

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DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Free Recycling Education Programme

Down District Council offers a variety of educational workshops to nursery, primary and secondary schools and youth groups in the Down Council area. These include the following:

Option 1 Reduce , Reuse, Recycle KS 1&2

During this session the pupils are encouraged to understand the relevance of the three R's and gain some knowledge of the variety of materials we can recycle.

Option 2. Household Recycling Centre & Landfill Site Visit KS 2&3

This workshop takes place at Drumnakelly landfill site and Castlewellan, Bann Road HRC. Schools are asked to arrange their own transport to and from each of the sites. Pupils will see the Lorries being weighted and the unloading of the waste at the landfill in Seaforde, Drumnakelly. Pupils will then need transported to Castlewellan to see the many items that can be recycled at the Household Recycling Centre.

Option 3. Compost Cafe KS1 & KS2

Find out about compost, what it is, how it is made and why making it is good for the environment. Use the session to introduce composting in school or to re-enthuse pupils and staff!

Option 4. Out with the Litter Lout!' KS 2&3

Litter is a HUGE problem, but we can all do something about it. The session aims to cover the problems associated with litter, including either slides or a short cartoon video. In addition, the group gets the opportunity to carry out a litter pick within their own school grounds.

Option 5 Marvellous Materials Foundation & KS1

Delve into the feely bag and describe the materials inside. Learn which materials can be recycled and what happens to those that are not. Act out the journey taken by a glass bottle from recycling box through the recycling process and on to the shop. Finish off by making a fridge magnet as a reminder of what can be recycled.

Option 6 Love Food Hate Waste KS2

An opportunity to learn about the environmental impact of disposing of food waste. Pupils will think about ways food waste can be reduced and make a shopping list note book.

Contact details Rebecca McGreevy, Education Officer, rebecca.mcgreevy@downdc.gov.uk
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(If telephone is unattended, please leave a message including suggested dates and option(s) requested.)

Further Information on lesson plans can be found at www.downdc.gov.uk



Curriculum Areas:
Geography
Science

Key Stages:
1, 2 and 3

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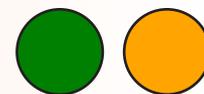
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DUNGANNON & SOUTH TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Waste and Recycling Education Programme



Schools

The Recycling and Education Officer is available for visits to schools, taking tours around the landfill site and supporting schools in their environmental activities. Talks and presentations can be tailored to suit the needs of each class/Key stage and are directly linked to the waste issues and bin schemes within the homes in the Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough, as well as the relevant legislation and wider global resource issues.

Additionally, the Recycling and Education Officer can offer advice to schools who want to become involved in the European recognised Eco-Schools programme.

Community

Presentations can be delivered outside working hours to facilitate youth groups, community groups and church groups etc. In addition, support and advice can be offered to the business sector.

Contact: To benefit from this free service, please contact Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough's Recycling and Education Officer on 028 8772 0390 or email recycling@dungannon.gov.uk

Agenda 21 Education for Sustainability

Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough Council's Agenda 21 Unit is in place to ensure action on issues such as sustainable consumption, energy efficiency, sustainable transport, local food production and biodiversity are delivered on at a local level.

The Agenda 21 Co-ordinator is available to visit schools, to deliver interactive talks and educational programmes and to provide advice on environmental issues. In particular, the Council has carried out several initiatives and projects in relation to Fairtrade and Global Citizenship, Ecological and Carbon Footprinting and Biodiversity and so pupils can link in and benefit from this expertise as well as gain practical experience.

The service provided by the Agenda 21 Co-ordinator can also be used to help cover the topics that need to be examined as part of the Eco-Schools scheme.

The Agenda 21 Co-ordinator is also available to deliver talks/presentations to youth, community and church groups etc. on sustainability related topics.

To benefit from this free service, please contact Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough Council's Agenda 21 Co-ordinator on 028 8772 0366.

Curriculum Areas:
All

Key Stages:
1, 2, 3 and 4.

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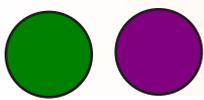
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ECO-SCHOOLS

In Northern Ireland Eco-Schools is managed by TIDY Northern Ireland, an organisation which also runs a variety of campaigns and manages other local environmental quality programmes such as Blue Flag for beaches. Eco-Schools is a programme that supports the Revised Curriculum for Northern Ireland and its emphasis is on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD).

TIDY Northern Ireland runs Eco-Schools in Northern Ireland using an extensive range of partners and with support from local councils, the Education and Library Boards and the Northern Ireland Environment Agency.

Eco-Schools is an internationally recognised award scheme operating in over 50 countries world-wide rewarding and accrediting schools who have made a commitment to continuously improving their environmental performance. It is also a learning resource, raising awareness of environmental issues through activities that link to curriculum subjects.

The Aim of Eco-Schools

Eco-Schools is a pupil-led environmental programme based on an Environmental Management Audit approach. Its aim is to make environmental awareness and action an intrinsic part of the life and ethos of the school for both pupils and staff.

How does Eco-Schools Work?

There are three progressive levels of award. The first two levels are the Bronze and Silver certificates. The prestigious Green Flag is awarded to schools which meet the top level criteria for each of the seven steps of the Eco-Schools process.

Topics Supported by Eco-Schools

The environment can be incorporated into all aspects of the curriculum, and Eco-Schools has a number of topics that should be examined by schools as they make their way through the Eco-Schools programme and series of awards. Topics include: Litter

- Waste
- Healthy Living
- School Grounds
- Water
- Transport
- Energy
- Biodiversity
- Global Perspective
- Climate Change

We have a number of Delivery Partners who can help schools with these topics, either by visiting their schools or by providing necessary resources. A full list of partners can be found at www.eco-schoolsni.org



Curriculum Areas:

Language and Literacy
Mathematics and Numeracy
Personal Development
The World Around Us
Environment and Society
Science and Technology

Key Stages:

Pre-School,
Foundation, 1, 2, 3 and 4

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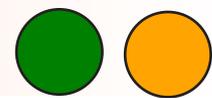
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ECO-UNESCO

ECO-UNESCO is Ireland's Environmental Education and Youth Organisation affiliated to the World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centres and Associations (WFUCA).



ECO-UNESCO's aims are:

- to raise environmental awareness, understanding and knowledge of the environment among young people
- to promote the protection and conservation of the environment
- to promote the personal development of young people through practical environmental projects and activities
- to promote the ideals of UNESCO
- ECO-UNESCO provides a wide range of programmes and services, which include:

For young people:

- Environmental Youth Programmes including Environmental Events and Activities, Environmental Workshops, ECO-UNESCO Clubs, the ECO-Youth Choices Drugs Misuse Prevention Programme and the Youth for Sustainable Development Programme.
- ECO-UNESCO's Young Environmentalist Awards Programme which honours the work of young people between the ages of 10 and 18 who protect, conserve and enhance our environment through local environmental projects, making a difference to their lives and the lives of others locally and globally.
- ECO-UNESCO's National Youth ECO-Forum



For teachers, leaders, educators and interested adults:

- Training Programmes, which include short Training Courses, FETAC accredited courses (Level 5/6 Sustainable Development) and a Drugs Prevention and Awareness Programme (ECO-Choices).
- Education Resources focused on environmental education and environmental youth work aimed at young people, leaders and teachers. These include resource packs, activity packs, posters and CD-ROMs.
- Consultancy services to groups and agencies who require a specialist approach to environmental education, environmental youth work and Education for Sustainable Development (ESD).
- Conferences, Seminars and Exhibitions on ESD, youth work and related topics

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science & Technology
Citizenship

Key Stages:

3 and 4

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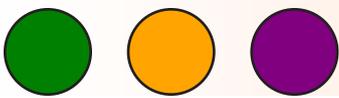
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EXPLORIS



What is Exploris?

Exploris, Northern Ireland's Aquarium, is ideally sited on the shores of a marine nature reserve and Area of Special Scientific Interest - Strangford Lough.

A visit to Exploris enables the visitor to view and learn about the marine species that are indigenous to Strangford Lough and the coastline of the island. Marine communities are recreated to enable the visitor to gain a better understanding of the complex inter-relationships between different species. The Seal Sanctuary affords the visitor the opportunity to view the process of rehabilitation of rescued seal pups from their arrival through to full health when they are re-introduced to the wild.

Education Activities

Exploris is the perfect venue for an educational or group visit for all ages with various activities including:

Discovery Pools

A chance for your group to discover a variety of living animals at close hand. For example observe Rays, Starfish and Sea Urchins. Exploris Discovery Pools are run by experienced guides who help to break down inhibitions and develop an appreciation of nature.

Aquarium Tour

A guide leads your group on a journey through the aquarium starting with displays focusing on Strangford Lough and moving on to the Irish Sea via themed display tanks. Also learn about seal rehabilitation from the rescue of seals to their release back into the wild.

Shore Walks

Shore walks are available at certain times depending on the tides in Strangford Lough. These afford pupils the opportunity to learn about life on the shore. Educational staff accompany your group to a local rocky shore to study living things in their natural habitat.

Winter Roadshow

Bring the 'Exploris Mobile Rockpool' to your school this winter and enjoy an interactive display of underwater creatures without leaving the classroom! The Winter Roadshow runs between October and March, with prices varying according to the size of your school. Our Education Officer can tailor the programme for your school's needs, providing themed talks pitched at Key Stages 1+2 focusing on curriculum areas incorporating topics such as Conservation, Citizenship, Animal Habitats or Sea Creatures.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, 4 and nursery

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FERMANAGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

Fermanagh District Council currently offers a range of initiatives for local schools and youth groups. These include presentations, activities and site visits to name but a few.

Presentations and activities are currently offered on topics such as

- Biodiversity (Wildlife),
- Waste and Recycling,
- Energy,
- Transport and
- Climate Change

Presentations may be tailored to suit a variety of age groups and/or time frames.

It may be possible for schools to arrange site visits to the Council's new Integrated Waste Management Facility at Drumree or indeed to some of the Council's Civic Amenity Sites. However, the number of visits offered is restricted.

The Council has also developed an ECOTRAIL in Enniskillen town and Permanent Orienteering Course is located at the Fermanagh Lakeland Forum. The materials required to complete these routes are available to download from www.ecotrainsni.com or a CD-Rom can be obtained from the Environment Officer.

The Council also runs a range of projects and competitions throughout the year. The information on these will be circulated to schools and youth groups prior to the events.

The Council runs Fermanagh County Museum at Enniskillen Castle and a variety of education programmes, events and special projects take place throughout the year. Education programmes include:

- Life in Early Times,
- The Recent Past,
- Vikings,
- Gaelic Ireland and the Plantation,
- World War I and II.

Special events throughout the year include Archaeology Days, Holocaust Memorial Day and other cross community and cross cultural days. We are also developing more informal lifelong learning opportunities for all age groups including Living History.

For further information on Waste and Recycling please contact the Recycling Officer, for information on all other environmental issues please contact the Environment Officer and for further information on the activities provided at Enniskillen Castle, Please contact the Development Officer - Learning and Access. The Council's Art's Officer, Diane Henshaw should be contacted for general queries pertaining to the Arts.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
History
Citizenship
Archaeology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, 4 GCSE, and A Level

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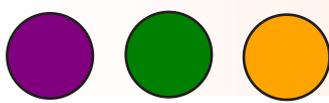
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FIELD STUDIES COUNCIL DERRYGONNELLY

FSC Derrygonnelly Centre lies in the unspoilt West Fermanagh countryside, 10 miles from Enniskillen and only 15 miles from the Donegal coast. The field centre opened in 2001 and has since been running courses for all age groups in biology and geography field work. The Field Studies Council (FSC) is a pioneering educational charity committed to bringing environmental understanding to all.



Established in 1943, the FSC has become internationally respected for its national network of 17 education centres, international outreach training projects, research programmes, and information and publications service. We provide informative and enjoyable opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to discover, explore, be inspired by and understand the natural environment. The FSC believes the more we know about the environment, the more we can appreciate its needs and protect its diversity and beauty for future generations.

Courses and Facilities

Derrygonnelly Field Centre is equipped with purpose-built classrooms and residential facilities for up to 65 students. We offer a range of courses from day visits to week long residential courses.

The Centre has a range of habitats onsite including grassland, a small woodland, a pond and the River Sillee which runs through the Centre grounds. We use nearby field sites to study geography and biology including sand dunes and rocky shore ecology on the Donegal coast, river processes and ecology along the River Sillee and woodland studies beside Lower Lough Erne. It is our aim to deliver curriculum based courses which comprehensively cover fieldwork requirements and increase students' knowledge and understanding, as well as promote team spirit, enjoyment and respect for the countryside.

The Centre is open all year round. We offer a range of field courses to meet the needs of each visiting group. All equipment and learning materials are provided and each course includes an introduction and follow-up session. Please feel free to contact a member of the education team to discuss a programme or for further information.

Derrygonnelly FSC also caters for youth and summer scheme groups, often through the Field Studies Council's 'Kids' Fund' programme, which provides funding for disadvantaged children and young people to take part in environmental and outdoor activities.

Extra Information

Wellies and waterproofs can be borrowed from the Centre. The Centre has a games room and outdoor sports equipment as well as computer facilities which can be used by residential groups in their free time.

Health and Safety

Risk assessments are carried out for all sites and activities. All staff are first aid trained and a first aid kit is carried for activities.

Costs and Booking

Please contact the Centre to arrange costs and booking.

Curriculum Areas:
Geography
Biology (Field Studies)

Key Stages:
Foundation 1, 2, 3,
GCSE, A-level, plus
3rd level courses and
leisure courses, PGCE/
NQT fieldwork training

Contact:
The Education Team

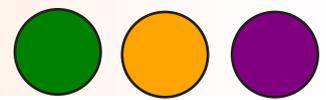
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FOREST SERVICE

Question:

What relevance has a visit to a forest got to do with the:

National Curriculum?

Personal, Social and Health Education/Citizenship?

Local/Global Issues?

Answer:

Come to a Forest Service workshop or book a visit to one of the 113 forests where there will be Forest Service Guide to facilitate you in the development and enhancement of your students' knowledge understanding, values and attitudes to the forest environment within both a local and global context.

No matter whether you teach **Maths, Geography, Science, History, English, Politics, Religious Education, Foreign Languages, Music, Art and Design, or ICT**; the forest environment will provide your students with an unequalled opportunity to be creatively inspired, gain problem-solving and/or practical skills in one or more subjects of the NI Curriculum, and at the same time develop personal, interpersonal and communication skills.

NB: There is a forest within 10 miles of almost every school in Northern Ireland

Why use the Forest Service?

The forest industry is an excellent example for demonstrating sustainable development because it is involved in economic development of the timber industry, environmental land management in the countryside and has a major social impact providing a recreational resource.

Remember - educational visits with a guide are FREE

Forest Service Sustainable Forestry Education Programme

The programme is designed to encourage students to work in small groups to solve problems, question environmental management and design a sustainable forest for their community, local and global, in the 21st century.

Programme features:

- Programme facilitated by forest guides,
- Students work in small teams,
- Study of a local forest and local issues,
- Indoor and outdoor exercises,
- Forestry field work techniques used,
- Teachers' notes for follow up activities,
- Programme can be completed in one day, or split into separate sections for detailed further study: economic, environmental, social factors.

Other formal programmes include the 'Peace Maze' at Castlewellan and the 'World Around Us' at Tollymore. However, programmes can be created to suit the needs of anyone. This maybe discussed with one of the Forest Guides at the contact points listed in the information bar.



Curriculum Area:

Art & Design, English, Foreign Languages, Geography, History, ICT, Maths, Music, Politics, Science, Religious Education

Key Stages:

All education levels

Guide centres:

Portglenone, Glenariff

Tel: 028 2955 6000

Guide Centres:

Belvoir (Belfast), Castlewellan, Tollymore (Newcastle), Gosford (Markethill)

Tel: 028 4377 8664

Guide Centres:

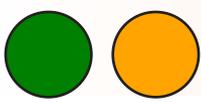
Drum Manor, Parkanuar (Dungannon), Gortin (Omagh), Florencecourt, Knockmany (Augher)

Tel: 028 6634 3019

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www.forestserviceni.gov.uk





KILLOWEN OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE

You will find us situated in idyllic surroundings, 2km from Rostrevor, on the northern shore of Carlingford Lough and the southern slope of the Mourne. We have a very modern, well equipped centre providing all specialist equipment and high standard, fully catered, residential accommodation for 48 students and up to 8 accompanying staff (students in 2 and 4 berth rooms). Our instructors are qualified professionals who endeavour to ensure students enjoy their activities in the safest possible way.



Outdoor adventure activities comprise the majority of programmes delivered to schools and youth organisations throughout the year. Although 3-day, 4-day and weekend residential for groups take up most of the calendar, we also run a residential summer scheme for young people who may or may not be part of a formal group.

What can we provide for your students?

- a memorable outdoor learning experience,
- a chance to participate without the constraints of the classroom,
- access to a wide range of practical skills in real situations,
- an atmosphere where decision making and teamwork become crucial to progress,
- instruction and activities to reinforce class-based work but with different,
- an environment to learn risk management,
- experiential learning about the environment,
- an eye-opening introduction to the outside world.

What can we provide for you?

- new field work ideas / techniques / methods,
- an opportunity to make your subject real again,
- a means to access field work sites and methods safely,
- a chance to see your class in a different light,
- a means of engaging pupils in a less formal setting,
- a friendly ear for requests, questions & suggestions,
- help to integrate ESD into your department's teaching,
- a breath of fresh air.

Field study facilities at KOEC...

- 16 & 29 seater transport,
- Waterproof clothing,
- Wellingtons & walking boots,
- Wide range of field work equipment,
- 1 Field study instructor (Vincent Mc Alinden) & potential help from outdoor instructors,
- Reasonable sized classroom with full AV capabilities,
- All activities are risk managed.

How do you book?

Just ring the office 028 4173 8297, have an idea of the group size and study topic. Vincent will contact you to discuss details of the visit.

For day groups it is best to book as early as possible to get your preferred dates, for residential fill in the booking form at least six months in advance to have any chance of getting in.

Curriculum Areas:

Environment
Geography
Science
Environmental Studies
Ecology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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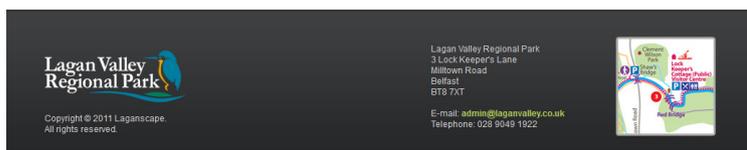
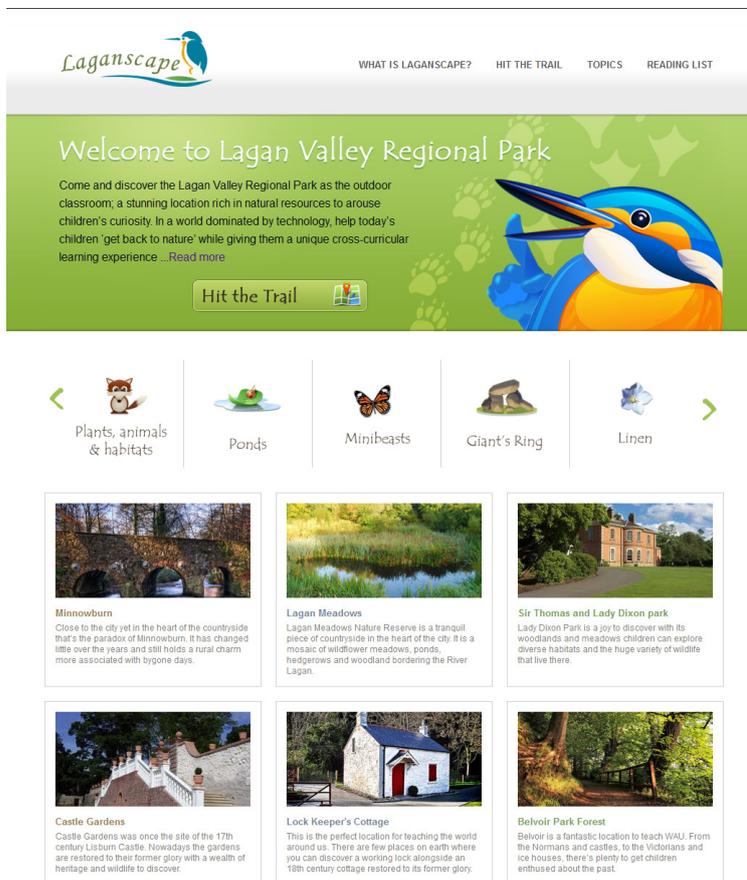
LAGAN VALLEY REGIONAL PARK

'Lagan Valley Regional Park covers approximately 4,200 acres of beautiful countryside with a huge diversity of sites to visit, including the Neolithic Giant's Ring, the Lock Keeper's Cottage, Belvoir Park Forest and Lagan Meadows to name just a few.



Come and discover the Regional Park as an outdoor classroom; a stunning location rich in both built and natural heritage. In a world dominated by technology, help today's children 'get back to nature' while giving them a unique cross-curricular learning experience that will arouse their curiosity.

This education website provides a multitude of teaching materials that can be downloaded to help with the planning of teacher-led trails to the Park and provide resources that can be used to teach a wide range of topics within both the classroom, school grounds and the Park. These are teacher's notes, practical activities, worksheets, PowerPoint's, activity trails and maps.



Curriculum Areas:
 The World Around Us
 Science
 Geography
 Language & Literature
 History
 Maths & Numeracy
 PDMU
 Art & design
 ICT

Key Stages:
 Nursery
 Foundation
 Key stage 1 & 2
 Key stage 3

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LOUGH NEAGH DISCOVERY CENTRE



Educational and Interpretive Services

The Conservation and Heritage Department of Craigavon Borough Council offers a wide range of environmental education programmes. Our education programme caters for students of primary, secondary and university level, covering issues relating to the environment and heritage of Lough Neagh, Oxford Island and the surrounding area.

All activities are facilitated by our knowledgeable and enthusiastic team based at Oxford Island National Nature Reserve with the aim of raising awareness and enjoyment of the countryside, wildlife, and local history.

Our activities include:

- School and group visits to the Lough Neagh Discovery Centre and Craigavon Museum. (All visits are linked to the NI curriculum).
- Outreach programmes, delivered to schools on a variety of environmental and historic topics.
- Guided walks, events and activities suitable for all ages and abilities.
- Seasonal exhibition covering the history, wildlife and resources of Lough Neagh.

Our emphasis is on seasonality, looking at the characteristics of the various habitats at different times of the year. Many topics can be studied throughout the year, however others are best suited to a particular season.

Activities:

Lough Neagh Discovery Centre

Key Stage 1 & 2: Fresh water habitats, fresh water life, woodlands, minibeasts, birds and nature games.

Key Stage 3 & 4: Lough Neagh ecosystems, habitats of Lough Neagh and Oxford Island, sampling techniques, vegetation surveys, birds and map reading.

Non school groups: As above, plus scavenger hunt, nature games, crafts and boat trips.

Museum Services

Key Stage 1 & 2: Victorian life, Homes and Houses, Life on the Canal, Transport, World War Two, The famine, History of Lough Neagh, Making a memory box, Bridges, Mesolithic/ Neolithic workshops, Building a willow dome, Vikings, Local Studies.

For schools we can facilitate visits to our museums.

- Waterside House and Enterprize Barge - Waterways, Mesolithic/Neolithic workshops
- Barn Museum - Homes and Houses
- Moneypenny's Lockhouse - Life on the Canal

We are happy to discuss the needs of individual groups to develop a programme to suit your requirements.

Curriculum Areas:

World around us
Environment and Society
Geography
Science
History

Key Stages:

Foundation
KS 1, 2, 3 and 4
Nursery and youth sector groups

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LOUGHS AGENCY

Riverwatch

Riverwatch Aquarium and Visitor Center is nestled on the banks of the River Foyle, Riverwatch tells the story of the Foyle and Carlingford catchments.

Visitor Centre

From high up in the mountain springs to the brackish loughs, fantastic footage captures the journey of the river, the essence of the local environment and the variety of life in the Foyle and Carlingford areas. Visitors will learn about the local environment through wonderful displays and fantastic local video footage. A range of stories are told using local images from the Foyle and Carlingford area, including the amazing life cycle of the salmon, angling, shellfish, habitats, protection, conservation, water quality and commercial fishing.

Aquarium

The aquarium tanks are an excellent visual resource and a window to a wonderful underwater world. They represent five different habitats and hold some amazing and interesting species.

We have lobsters, crabs, starfish, coalfish, blennys and lots of other marine fish and crustaceans in our Lough Life and Seashore Life Tanks. See the salmon, sticklebacks, minnows, roach and other freshwater fish in the Stream Life, Lake Life and Pond Life Tanks.

Most days, feeding time can be scheduled around your trip. We are continually changing our livestock so it's always worth another trip!

Outreach

The outreach programmes at Riverwatch are catered to compliment the educational curriculum, providing schools with hands-on experience in the riparian and marine environments, local flora and fauna.

At Riverwatch we pride ourselves in our ability to provide programmes which cater for all cross-sections of learning, at every level. This allows us to provide an education programme for the stakeholders of the Foyle and Carlingford catchments, giving them a positive learning experience along with a sense of ownership of their rivers.

Our most popular programme is the 'Salmon in the Classroom'. During February and March a small hatchery system and 100 eggs are delivered to the school for the pupils to care for and nurture. They can see them hatch and develop into fish before releasing them into a local stream. A full education and resource pack supports this programme.

River clean-ups, art projects, school talks, beach walks and other bespoke programmes can be organised to meet the needs of the group. Please look at our website for up to date information on programmes and availability.

Join in and get your wellies wet!

Subjects covered:

Habitats and ecosystems, biodiversity, species identification and classification, pollution, conservation, protection, field work, rivers, life cycles, coasts, observing and recording, food chains, etc.



Curriculum

Areas:

Geography, Science, Citizenship, History, Art and English.

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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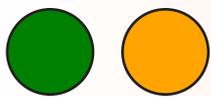
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MAGILLIGAN FIELD CENTRE

Magilligan Field Centre is ideally located to provide stimulating experiences of the natural environment, with good access to one of the most varied and unspoilt parts of the coast of Northern Ireland. The immediate area falls within the Binevenagh Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and many of the study sites are designated Areas of Special Scientific Interest or Nature Reserves.



It is an area of strong contrasts between upland environments with peat bog, streams and forest on the basalt escarpment and extensive sand dunes and mud flats on the coastal lowland. We are within comfortable driving distance of the North Antrim coast and the Sperrin Mountains.

Early Years KS1 & 2

Investigating the World Around Us -

MFC provides active learning opportunities to develop cross curricular skills, thinking skills and personal capabilities and supports Primary Areas of Learning including STEM.

Appropriately structured investigations of a range of habitats in the local area - lake, stream, woodland and shore. All courses focus on active pupil participation and enjoyment. Activities include pond dipping, minibeast hunts, shell collection, weather measurements, art work and ICT based follow up work.

As well as using the varied local environments, trips are also organised to Rathlin Island, the Giant's Causeway, Glenariff Forest Park and across the Foyle by ferry to Greencastle, Co. Donegal.

KS3 Statutory Curriculum -

Active learning opportunities developing personal capabilities cross curricular and thinking skills. Ecosystem studies of upland bog, sand dune, woodland, river and beach.

GCSE - Geography and Science - specification and coursework related fieldwork support including Controlled Assessment River Studies, Rocky Shore Zonation, Urban Studies, Sand Dune Ecosystem, Land Use Studies, Woodland Ecosystem, Coastal Processes, Landforms and Management.

AS and A2 Geography and Science - specification and coursework related fieldwork support including A2 Global Issues (Geography) Ecosystem studies of upland bog, streams, hedgerows, sand dune, woodland. River Study, Beach study, Urban Study, Sustainable Tourism, Pollution.

Adult:

Specialist courses in plant and animal identification and environmental management.

Health and Safety: The safety of fieldwork participants is given paramount consideration in the running of the Field Centre. Experienced staff organise and accompany all fieldwork courses and are qualified in relevant areas for outdoor learning.

Facilities: MFC provides an extensive range of appropriate field work equipment and specialist outdoor protective clothing. In addition to three well equipped teaching classrooms the Centre has an ICT suite to facilitate follow up work including controlled assessment.

Qualified teaching staff have a wide experience and knowledge of the local environment, and are available to accompany all groups. Residential groups enjoy excellent catering, comfortable ensuite accommodation for visiting staff and 32 bunk beds for students.

A member of staff remains onsite overnight as a Duty Instructor. MFC aims to promote the understanding of sustainable living by exemplifying good practice.

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science

Other learning areas where they can be taught through the environment

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

Also post 16, post graduate and adult

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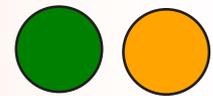
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MARBLE ARCH CAVES

Education at Marble Arch Caves

Marble Arch Caves European Geopark is one of 25 European Geoparks and it is the only one in Northern Ireland. It includes 2000 hectares of Cuilcagh Mountain Park and 18000 hectares of West Fermanagh uplands as well as Marble Arch Caves. With recent changes in subject specifications, Marble Arch Caves European Geopark has had an increase in school visits from both primary and secondary schools. There are numerous fieldwork opportunities for all ages and fieldwork prices are discounted when booked along with cave tours.



Education Activities:

- Cave Tours,
- Woodland Walks,
- Mini-Beast Hunts,
- Vegetation Studies,
- Limestone Trails,
- Tourism Presentations,
- European Geopark Presentations.

Subjects Covered:

- My Environment,
- Our World,
- Processes and Challenges,
- Ecosystems,
- Vegetation Comparisons,
- Sustainable Tourism.

A Few Examples

Key Stage 1

A nature walk in the Claddagh Glen comparing the local habitat with other habitats. Go for a hop through the trees like Suzie the squirrel.

Key Stage 2

Go for an adventure as a Woodland Warden and stop off for a mini-beast hunt.

Key Stage 4

A limestone trail on the lower slopes of Cuilcagh Mountain looking at patterns and processes including shakeholes and limestone pavement. 'In the field' discussions and questions about the peatland ecosystem as well as tourism. Workbooks provided.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science
Geology

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4
A level, Junior Cert,
Leaving Cert, and
University

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and

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NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Newtownabbey Borough Council offers a range of initiatives for local schools and youth groups such as presentation, outdoor classroom activities, competitions and site visits.

The nature of the activity can be tailored to suit the particular group depending on the area of study.



Biodiversity

A range of biodiversity activities are available for local schools and youth groups including Forest Schools, River Studies, environmental programmes at Mossley Mill and Sentry Hill and Carnmoney Hill Woodland Trust Treasure Trail. Schools taking part in the eco-schools programme can also get support from the Council. Regular events take place such as beach cleans and tree planting - keep an eye on the website for details.

Sustainable Transport

As part of Newtownabbey Borough Councils continued commitment to sustainable transport, the council organises an annual green miles competition. The competition encourages primary schools to clock up as many green miles as possible by walking or cycling to school. As part of the competition, the council also offers Dr Bike service where children can receive a free safety check for their Bike.

Environmental Health

The Environmental Health Department can offer talks to all school groups on the various aspects of environmental health including food, nutrition, health and safety, noise and littering.

The food and nutrition talks allow pupils the opportunity to investigate the impact of storage, preparation and cooking of food and influence of personal hygiene and diet on physical health. The talks include the provision of leaflets and resources on various aspects of food safety including provision of UV light to demonstrate effective hand washing.

Health and safety presentations look at how pupils can ensure personal safety through understanding and managing risk. Health and safety presentation can be tailored to suit a variety of groups such as school leavers and pupils going off on placement week.

The noise presentation is used in post primary schools to raise awareness of the problem of loud music and to encourage pupils to look after their hearing. We also use a special 'Sound Head', provided by Action Hearing Loss, to test the levels at which students listen to their personal music players and make them aware of the potential for premature hearing loss and advise them on simple remedies they can use to prevent this. Littering presentations are used to raise awareness of the impact of littering in the Borough and will encourage pupils to participate in anti-littering initiatives.

No Smoking Day

To promote No Smoking day, the Council can offer a Schools programme to highlight the dangers of smoking to pupils. The school programme includes an exhibition trailer with a large number of No Smoking resources such as leaflets, freebies, visual displays and a DVD. Pupils can visit the trailer where they can receive information and talk to environmental health officers. The School programme gives the opportunity for children to take part in quizzes and poster competitions to raise awareness of no smoking day.

Air Quality Initiative for Primary Schools

In order to raise awareness of air quality we can provide an interactive programme for primary schools using our exhibition trailer where classes can visit and take part in experiments to show how everyday activities cause air pollution. They are then able to test their knowledge by taking part in an interactive quiz and are given a parents pack with information to bring home to their families about ways to reduce air pollution.

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NORTH EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

The North Eastern Education and Library Board serves the district council areas of Newtownabbey, Carrickfergus, Larne, Moyle, Coleraine, Magherafelt, Ballymena, Ballymoney and Antrim. It provides advice and support to schools and Youth Service on environmental issues and works in partnership with local councils and environmental groups to provide advice and support on best practice. The NEELB Curriculum Advisory and Support Service (CASS) provide support and guidance to teachers and schools in the area of **Education for Sustainable Development** which is now a statutory element of the Northern Ireland Curriculum. They encourage involvement in Eco-Schools, Best Kept Schools, Eco-UNESCO and many other environmental schemes and awards. CASS also provides support for the new statutory area of **The World Around Us** in the primary curriculum. A World Around Us officer, **Maura Hughes**, is available to give support and advice to primary schools.



The NEELB is unique in that it can offer a complete World Around Us learning experience at the **Causeway School** at the Giant's Causeway. The school provides two living history experiences based on a Victorian School Day and Life in Recent Times. The visit to the school is supported by an interactive CD ROM specifically developed to support the World Around Us. The CD ROM provides learning activities for before and after the visit and even makes use of the journey to the school. The NEELB works in conjunction with the National Trust to provide a guided walk to the Giant's Causeway which completes the experience. For bookings or further information, contact **Dorothy Friar** at the Causeway School.

The Causeway School is open to the public in July and August.

Recent School Achievements

For the second year running a NEELB school has scooped the "Best of the Best" at the Best Kept Schools Award. Ballykeel PS in Ballymena was seen to be at "the cutting edge of environmental education" with its vegetable beds, traditional orchard and plans for a 6kw wind turbine.

Two NEELB schools already have wind turbines. Dunseverick PS won their turbine in an Eco-Schools competition and the turbine at St Patrick's PS is now a net contributor to the national grid. St Anne's PS Corkey has come up trumps in two UK competitions with its science project on water quality in Glenarrif and the Mourne. The school won the UK Rolls-Royce Science prize and the Eden Project Award.

NEELB post-primary schools have also been active in environmental work. St Colm's HS Draperstown, who achieved their first green flag last year, held a highly successful Eco Fair for their local primary schools and went on to enter two projects for the Eco-UNESCO Young Environmentalist of the Year. Both projects reached the last 40 and the showcase at the Mansion House in Dublin, with their project on energy conservation in the school taking Best in Category. Year 11 pupil Ethan Kerr won the Sustainable Energy Category of the Life through a Lens Competition and his work will be on display in Sustainable Energy Ireland's 2009 calendar.

St Patrick's College Maghera organised a very successful Sustainable Energy in the Home Exhibition for schools in the mid-Ulster region.

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All

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All and Youth Service

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NORTHERN IRELAND ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

The aim of NIEA is to protect, conserve and promote the natural environment and built heritage for the benefit of present and future generations. The vision is to have a healthy and well protected environment and heritage in Northern Ireland which contributes to the social and economic well being of the whole community. NIEA is working towards four long term environmental outcomes:

- Sustainable use and protection of natural resources;
- Improved conservation and management of the natural heritage;
- Improved conservation and protection of the built heritage; and
- Better public awareness and understanding of the Northern Ireland environment.

Education enables NIEA to engage with the education community in order to ensure that these environmental issues are included as part of life long learning. NIEA seeks to increase the accessibility of both the physical environment itself and environmental information. We aim to facilitate access to the sites and properties in NIEA's care for environmental learning purposes and academic research, thus promoting environmental conservation to people of all ages and inspiring them to continue to seek further environmental knowledge throughout their academic careers as well as in their everyday lives.

DOE Education & Interpretation

The Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA) looks after seven Country Parks, over 60 sites managed as Nature Reserves and 190 Historic Monuments in State Care. Most of these sites can be accessed by schools for outdoor learning.

Country Parks are managed primarily for public access and offer a superb range of natural habitats including rivers, woodlands, seashore, lakeshore, ponds, peatlands and meadows, where students will have the opportunity to learn about Living Things and Life Processes, Plants and Animals and The Natural Environment. Classroom facilities are available at Crawfordsburn, Roe Valley and Castle Archdale Country Parks and at Peatlands Park, which also has a board-walk from which to study the plants and animals of the bog garden. These classrooms can be booked by accredited groups.

Many NIEA Nature Reserves, including Quoile Pondage in the East, Brackagh Bog in the Centre, The Marlbank Reserves including Marble Arch in the West and Banagher Glen in the North, afford good learning opportunities, though they may be more suited to secondary and tertiary level study. Some of the other Nature Reserves include habitats or species which are very sensitive to human disturbance and may require special permission for educational use.

Historic Monuments provide an exciting opportunity for students to discover and explore the past through these expertly conserved monuments in marvelous settings. Schools can cover: Normans and the medieval world; Rivalry and Conflict; Life in the Early Times. Tour Guides lead educational tours at Carrickfergus, Dunluce and Dundrum Castles as well as Nendrum monastic Site and Grey Abbey and there are exhibitions and displays at most sites.

Curriculum-related educational support materials are available for use during your visit and for follow-up exercises back in the classroom to help you get the most from your day out. These have been written to complement the Northern Ireland Curriculum and range from workbooks for Nursery children to Guides for Teachers. See our education section on our website www.ni-environment.gov.uk to see the titles available. Teachers may download these free of charge.

For further information you can contact the Education Manager at www.ni-environment.gov.uk



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Science & Technology
Citizenship
Waste Free Classroom

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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NORTHERN IRELAND FOREST SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (NIFSA)



About the Northern Ireland Forest School Association

The Northern Ireland Forest School Association was established in 2008. The sole aim is to develop and deliver sustainable environmental education projects across Northern Ireland.



The Belfast Education & Library Board have endorsed the NIFSA Forest School programme - Dr. Gillian Humes, BELB Science Advisor said: "This is one of the few projects that truly integrates all elements of the revised curriculum. It incorporates aspects of history, geography and science, delivers an opportunity to develop thinking skills and personal capabilities, and has a strong emphasis on promoting numeracy and literacy. Even more importantly than this, the initiative connects children to their outdoor environment, stimulating curiosity and inspiring a love of the natural world that is likely to remain long after the end of primary school. Teachers participating in the project are well supported with expertise and resources, and enjoy the project as much as the children."

NIFSA has developed the only Forest School qualification available in Northern Ireland, a range of specifically tailored lesson plans for use in an outdoor setting and lobby's Government and non-Government organisations in supporting Forest School Programmes.

NIFSA can offer free Forest School training, resources and support to schools and youth organisations in Newtownabbey and the Faughan Valley in L'Derry.

Why was it set up?

Research nationally has highlighted the lack of opportunity and practical engagement children have with their natural environment. This has major consequences for the future of our natural landscape character as they will become the future custodians of this environment. It is also having immediate consequences with one in four children in Northern Ireland being classified as obese and a huge rise in mental illness in children and young adults.

What is a Forest School?

A Forest School is an innovative educational approach to outdoor play and learning. The philosophy of Forest Schools is to encourage and inspire individuals of any age through positive outdoor experiences.

By participating in simple achievable tasks and activities, on a regular basis in a woodland environment, each participant has an opportunity to develop intrinsic motivation, sound emotional and social skills and experience first hand the landscape character of the local area.

Forest Schools has demonstrated success with children of all ages who visit the same local woodlands on a regular basis and through play and discovery, have the opportunity to learn about the natural environment, how to handle risks and most importantly to use their own initiative to solve problems and co-operate with others. Forest School programmes run throughout the year, going to the woods in all weathers (except for high winds). Children use full sized tools, play, learn boundaries of behaviour; both physical and social, establish and grow in confidence, self-esteem and become self motivated.



Curriculum Areas:

All

Key Stages:

1, 2 and 3

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Forest Schools will aim to develop:

- Self Awareness
- Self Regulation
- Intrinsic motivation
- Empathy
- Good social communication skills
- Independence
- A positive mental attitude, self-esteem and confidence

Forest School, through its application of Accelerated Learning techniques creates a unique learning vehicle that is used to encourage a range of individuals, community groups and larger organisations to utilise their local open space for interactive play, health, recreation and personal development uses.

What can NIFSA do for you?

The need to have a coordinated approach to delivery of Forest School with a supportive network for practitioners and recognised quality standards has broad agreement amongst enthusiasts and practitioners in Northern Ireland.

NIFSA will provide a framework for future development and propose that all NIFSA recognised Forest Schools will have:

- The support of your NIFSA coordinator. Their role is to help access funding for Forest School programmes; deliver Level 3 Forest School Leader qualifications and co-ordinate on-going Forest School delivery.
- The support of a local NIFSA cluster group.
- A local woodland setting and therefore links to the learner's local community. NIFSA try and source a woodland setting within walking distance of the organisation.
- Leaders that have been AccessNI checked - trained in or training for Forest School qualifications (Open College Network) and with appropriate First Aid qualifications
- On-going ecological impact assessment of the woodland site used for Forest School
- Comprehensive written risk assessments of the Forest School site and activities
- An up-to-date Health & Safety manual including guidelines on child protection, emergency procedures, risk assessment and equipment
- On-going evaluation of learning and personal development of all those involved in Forest School
- Commitment to external reviews and sharing of best practice within the network and external networks, for example, the Forest Education Initiative in Great Britain.

NORTHERN IRELAND WATER EDUCATION UNIT

Northern Ireland Water places great importance on educating young people in the vital role water plays in our daily lives. Our Education Programme raises an awareness and understanding of water for health, the cleaning of water and wastewater, water conservation and its effect on sustainability. These are tailored to complement the enriched curriculum.

This service is available all year round free of charge.



Education Visits

- **Silent Valley Education Centre** offers the opportunity to improve knowledge and understanding of the environment. Pupils learn of its history and biodiversity through hands-on experience and interesting surroundings. Teachers can choose one of four topics along with the main focus on the history of supply of and demand for water.

- **Heritage Wastewater Education Centre** in the industrial heart of Belfast. Learn about the sights and smells of Belfast's sewage system past and present. Pupils have the opportunity to explore how sewage is cleaned and investigate why this process is important to the health of the city. Examine how pollution effects our water courses and the impact it has on our natural environment.

- **NIW Treatment Works.** These visits can be arranged for pupils from aged 10 and up.

- **Visits to schools.** The water education team will attend primary schools in our mobile waterbus or present classroom sessions on "water conservation", "water for health", "cleaning of water and wastewater" to individual year groups. We also provide support to schools on the Eco-Schools programme. The water education team are trained Eco-School Assessors. Water audits of schools are available.



Curriculum Areas:
The World Around Us
Place
Interdependence
Change over time
History
Science
Geography
Chemistry

Key Stages:
1, 2, 3, and 4

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RSPB

The RSPB speaks out for birds and wildlife, tackling the problems that threaten our environment. Nature is amazing - help us keep it that way.



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The RSPB has a wealth of experience in providing curriculum-linked environmental education programmes. In Northern Ireland, supported by Northern Ireland Environment Agency through the Natural Heritage Grants Programme, RSPB offers an extensive range of indoor and outdoor quality, interactive, learning experiences, specially designed for all age groups and Key stages. Programmes raise awareness of biodiversity and develop an understanding of, and commitment to, the environment. All activities are supported by a range of resources and web-based information.

Outreach Programmes

For pre-school and early-years children, innovative story mats unfold to reveal the wonderful worlds of the garden and the ocean. With singing birds and croaking frogs, penguins and polar bears, the story mats will capture the imagination of your young audience. Through interactive play, the stories teach simple messages about how to help garden and marine birds and wildlife.



For KS 2 pupils interactive workshops show pupils how to care for the wildlife living in the school grounds and provide opportunities to take part in RSPB activities such as the annual Big Schools Bird Watch and Wildlife Action Awards. RSPB marine education programmes use games and activities to introduce issues affecting local and global seabirds. Follow-up rock pool investigations can be arranged.

For KS 3&4 pupils a presentation introduces the human impact on marine ecology and employs active learning and thinking skills activities enabling pupils to look in more depth at issues such as litter, pollution and overfishing. Follow up material supports connected learning and active citizenship.

An interactive table quiz for KS 3&4 explores the importance of legislation to protect wildlife and highlights priority species in Northern Ireland that are benefiting from conservation management. This activity supports the biodiversity modules in GCSE and AS level Biology and Geography.

Outdoor Education Programmes

Through our 'Living Classrooms' programme, RSPB offers KS1 and KS2 curriculum-linked, Field-Teaching programmes in partnership with CAFRE (College of Agriculture Food and Rural Enterprise) RSPB at: Greenmount Campus, Antrim and Enniskillen College Campus.

RSPB Living Classrooms have all been awarded the LOTC Quality Badge, assuring teachers of the highest quality of content, teaching and service. Pupils will enjoy a hands-on exploration of habitats including the pond and the woodland. They will also find out about the importance of farming in conserving our farmland birds and wildlife and in creating a sustainable countryside for everyone to enjoy.

For secondary pupils RSPB offers specially tailored visits to explore specific habitats in more detail and to find out about the role of the RSPB as a wildlife conservation charity. These visits are available at our Field Teaching centres and at some of our nature reserves by arrangement.

A charge is applicable for all education visits. Please contact us for further information.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity: England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

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Science
Language
Maths
PSHE
Citizenship

Key Stages:

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1, 2, 3 and 4

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SAINT PATRICK CENTRE

The Saint Patrick Centre offers programmes for Key Stages 1-3 and facilitates visits for A Level students. The programmes and activities are linked to the Revised Curriculum and use active learning strategies which seek to develop skills such as creativity, communication and working with others. The workshops fit into the requirements of RE, History and PDMU/Local and Global Citizenship. Workshops can also be delivered at school as part of our outreach programme. The Centre is well established as a deliverer of Community Relations. To facilitate this, workshops can be delivered as part of a scheme using the figure of St. Patrick and cultural/spiritual heritage as the central theme. Alternatively, schools can opt to incorporate a visit to the Centre into their own CR programme.

Introduction to St Patrick

- Guided tour to explore the story and history of St Patrick
- Viewing of the IMAX presentation
- Trip to St. Patrick's grave
- Scriptorium activity or Drama session

All activities and worksheets are adapted to the needs of each Key Stage.

PDMU / Local and Global Citizenship sessions

Key Stage 1: Identity: personal and as part of a class

Key Stage 2: Similarities/differences and Identity

Key Stage 3: Diversity and Inclusion

Irish Language and Ulster Scots days for Key Stage 2

Community Relations

The Centre offers a CR scheme which uses Reflective Journals to provide linkages between sessions. All sessions use paired and small group activities to offer opportunities for pupils to mix and share ideas. Generally schools that opt to use this scheme select three workshops from the list below; the middle session is a visit to the Centre the other two are delivered by the Education Officer in-school. There is the standard school group charge for the Centre visit; the in-school workshops are free of charge.

- Icebreakers
- Visit to the Centre
- Identity
- Symbols
- Conflict
- De-brief

Schools also opt to visit the Centre as part of their own CR programme and the staff are most happy to assist. The recommendation is that the pupils participate in the drama workshop which encourages working together or one of the PDMU/Citizenship sessions which explores key CR themes.

Seasonal Workshops for Key Stage 1
Delivered at Christmas or during June each.
Crafts, games and trails.

A Level - A visit supports the study of the Celtic Church at AS and A2
Conference planned for November 2008 on the theme of Celtic Spirituality

Maximum group size 60, £3.50 per pupil, Teachers/leaders free.



Curriculum Areas:

History
Geography
Religious Studies
Personal Development & Mutual Understanding

Key Stages:

1, 2 and 3

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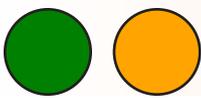
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SCOUTS

The Crawfordsburn Experience

The Scout Association's Schools' Project 'The Crawfordsburn Experience' is based at the Northern Ireland Scout Centre located in Crawfordsburn Country Park, County Down.

The Crawfordsburn Experience programme can be adapted to meet the needs of the appropriate Key Stage, age or ability of your young people so that all are challenged. Visitors have included EMU, slow learners and special needs. The Programme menu is extensive and activities are run both at the Scout Centre and in the forest and coastal areas of Crawfordsburn Country Park.

We aim to give young people a taste of the outdoors while engaging them in a range of constructive experiences. A strong emphasis is placed on team-work with lots of opportunities to deploy thinking (problem solving, observing, discussing) and practical (mapping, climbing, helping) skills.

We believe your pupils would welcome the chance to

- Achieve new heights on the **CLIMBING WALL**
- Hit gold at **ARCHERY**
- Build and operate a model siege catapult made from..... **BAMBOO**
- Learn to use a **COMPASS**
- then **HIKE** along the paths and riverbanks of the Country Park
- Discover the unfamiliar environment of the **CAVING COMPLEX**
- Test their nerves and togetherness on the **COMMANDO COURSE**
- Hook on to a safety line then build and climb a **CRATE TOWER**
- Cook and eat pancakes, scones and other tit-bits on our version of **READY STEADY COOK**
- Shoot the slope all the year round on our **GRASS SLEDGES**
- Learn how to read maps, then explore the Centre's fields and woods while **ORIENTEERING**
- Use teamwork to build and race **SEDAN CHAIRS**
- Build, tension, then cross low rope **COMMANDO BRIDGE**
- Beat the clock in individual and team pursuits on **PEDAL GO KARTS**
- Take on a series of **CHALLENGES**
- such as building a Self Supporting Wooden Bridge, lowering the Helium Stick and getting through the Spiders Web
- Work out how to get away from a plane crash
- In the jungle in our simulated **SEARCH AND ESCAPE**
- Follow a trail to discover the secrets of the **SHORELINE**

We are currently developing an environmental programme based on the experiences from the above programme areas. We would invite you to work with us in developing this programme.

Education Visit

Teachers can visit the Northern Ireland Scout Centre Crawfordsburn to see how the programme operates free of charge.

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SHARE CENTRE



ENVIRONMENTAL AND BUSHCRAFT WORKSHOPS

The Share Holiday Village is situated on an expansive 65 acre site on the picturesque and unspoilt shores of Upper Lough Erne, an SSSI and nature reserve, an ideal outdoor classroom.

Carbon Workshop. Workshops with a focus on Climate change and our renewable energies. Fun and interactive sessions that are complimentary to the national curriculum and relevant to the students' everyday lives.

As an integral part of the workshop your students might like to take a tour of our fascinating reed bed waste water treatment system. Follow the journey of our waste water through the system from start to finish and gain an understanding of the extensive, but natural, treatment process in a fun and interactive way. Be amazed at the crystal clear end product that is actually of higher quality than the water it mixes with when it is returned to the lough.

'Kingfisher' Wildlife paddle. An adventurous paddle on the tranquil and wildlife diverse Lough Erne canoe trail. Your students will learn basic navigation skills while negotiating the maze of islands on the Upper Lough, learning about and photographing the local flora and fauna on the way. Also the shores of the Upper Lough are littered with large fossils and your students will have the chance to hunt for these and gain a snapshot of history from 750 million years ago.

Bushcraft and Survival skills. For the adventurous students only. Learn fire lighting techniques and shelter building on one of the many islands surrounding Share whilst learning the ethics of 'leave no trace'. For the younger students we can offer demonstrations of basic survival skills with a fun element to appreciate the 'leave no trace' ethic.

Canoe Trail + Bothy. Share offer guided trips on the Lough Erne Canoe Trail which includes the Trannish Island Bothy that SHARE own. Participants can stay on the island as part of their residential and undertake a guided expedition on the Lough Erne Canoe Trail. You can attempt to catch your dinner and learn bushcraft skills including sustainable fire lighting techniques, shelter building and navigation in this serene and tranquil environment. Paddling onto Crom Estate with wild deer, Pine Marten and Irelands oldest Yew Trees, A walk around this vast National Trust estate is a must. Paddle past Reed beds filled with Heron and Swan and stop at the island of Insih Rath - where the Hare Krishna community leads a way of life inspired by the 5000 year old Vedic Texts of ancient India.

At Share there are a number of large classroom areas, interactive whiteboards and computers available for school use.

At Share our strength is our flexibility. Therefore the above activities can be incorporated into any programme. If you would like to discuss any of the above please feel free to contact us on 028 6772 2122 or via email on reception@sharevillage.org.

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All

Key Stages:
All

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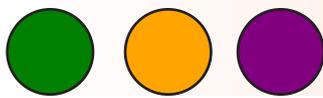
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SOUTH EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

The South Eastern Education and Library Board is the local authority for education, library and youth services in five district council areas: Ards, Castlereagh, Down, Lisburn and North Down.

Covering most of Co Down and a small part of Co Antrim, the area served by the Board stretches from Bangor southwards to Newcastle and eastwards from Lisburn and surrounding area over to Portaferry on the Ards Peninsula.

Under the terms of the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, the SEELB has a statutory duty to provide curriculum advisory and support services for schools in its area. In providing these support services, Curriculum Advisory and Support Service (CASS) Officers are committed to the Board's mission statement:

"To raise the standards of learning and levels of achievement of the people of the Board's area through the provision of high quality education, library and youth services." Curriculum advisory and support services include school-based training and development, and a broad range of courses provided at Board Headquarters in Dundonald and Resource Centres at Lisburn and Downpatrick.

YOUTH SERVICES: Outdoor Education

Located in the south eastern corner of Northern Ireland the SEELB's two Outdoor Education Centres, Ardnabannon and Killyleagh, offer a variety of opportunities for groups and individuals young and old to explore, experience and enjoy the natural environment. While each Centre offers particular specialisms, all focus on the holistic (academic, physical, personal and social) development of young people. Both Centres are fully staffed and equipped to provide their particular specialism and can cater for people on a fully catered residential basis. Comfortable accommodation, good food and a friendly, welcoming atmosphere are all the ingredients required to ensure optimum enjoyment and learning for all.

ARDNABANNON (100 BEDS)

Originally an old Victorian house set in its own grounds of 16 acres, Ardnabannon is the largest of the Board's two Centres. Situated in the north side of the Mourne Mountains, approximately 35 miles from Belfast, it is ideally located to make maximum use of the natural resources available on our mountain, forest, inland water and coastal environments.

KILLYLEAGH (40 BEDS)

Situated on the western shore of Strangford Lough (designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and of Scientific Interest) on the periphery of Killyleagh town, the Centre commands a spectacular vista over the Lough and the surrounding area. Here, as you would expect, the location encourages water activities based on the Lough with sailing being a key feature of the programme. An ideal venue for those groups wishing to gain their first experience in one of the water-related activities with sailing, canoeing and power boating being the more popular activity choices with visiting groups. There is also plenty of opportunity to participate in many of the other activities associated with a residential visit which enhance teamwork and respect for one's peers and the environment in which we live.



SOUTH EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

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All

Key Stages:
All and Youth Service

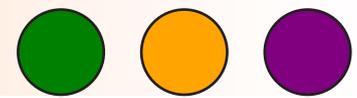
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SOUTHERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD



The Southern Education and Library Board serves the district council areas of Armagh, Banbridge, Cookstown, Craigavon, Dungannon & South Tyrone, and Newry & Mourne. The SELB provides advice and support to schools and Youth Service through a managed approach to procurement, transport, waste, energy and education. The Board works in partnership with local councils and environmental groups to support and inform schools and the Youth Service of environmental programmes, policy and best practice.

The Northern Ireland Curriculum has placed the concept of Sustainable Development at the core of the curriculum and school life and we believe it provides a relevant and valuable context for the development of pupil participation, cross-curricular skills, thinking skills and personal development.

The Curriculum Advisory and Support Service (CASS) provide guidance and support on all areas of the curriculum to teachers in all types of schools. School Link Officers work with the Environment and Society, local and Global Citizenship, Home Economics, Geography, and Work Around Us teams (including Healthy Eating, Fair Trade, Global Dimension etc.) to support Education for Sustainable Development and awards such as the Environmental Youth Speak competition, the Switched on Schools' project and ECO Schools' and ECO UNESCO Programmes.



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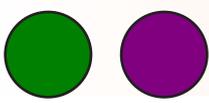
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SPEEDWELL TRUST

What does Speedwell do?

Speedwell brings children together from controlled and maintained schools to explore their shared environment through shared activities and classes. A very committed and experienced staff deliver a range of environmental and community relations' education programmes to 3-16 year olds at Parkanaur Forest Park near Dungannon. The programmes available are designed to meet the needs of the Revised Northern Ireland Primary Curriculum.



What programmes does Speedwell offer?

Speedwell offers a range of programmes (listed below) at their centre in Parkanaur Forest Park and in schools. Speedwell staff are flexible and can work with schools and youth groups on tailor made projects and activities.

Environmental Programmes:

Pre School/Nursery

- Spring Growing Together
- Nursery Minibeasts
- Forest Adventure
- Parkanaur Gruffalo

Foundation & Key Stage 1

- Minibeast Madness
- Autumn Watch
- Christmas at Parkanaur
- Spring Planting & Growing

Key Stage 2

- Caring for Our Birds
- Exploring Habitats
- Tree Trail
- Wild about Water
- Victorians at Parkanaur
- Maths Trail
- Teambuilding

Community Relations Programmes:

Foundation/Key Stage 1

- Friends and Feelings?
- Respecting Diversity
- Comparing Diversity
- Brilliant Balls/Super Sticks

Key Stage 2

- Cultural Identity
- Diversity in Sport
- Stereotyping Prejudice & Discrimination
- Orienteering with Flags/Symbols

Key Stages 3 and 4

- Rivers
- Orienteering
- Exploring Habitats
- Teambuilding

Curriculum Areas:

- Personal Development and Mutual Understanding
- Mathematics and Numeracy
- Language and Literacy

Key Stages:

- Foundation 1 & 2

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Speedwell promotes inclusion for all children and has a selection of unique programmes devised for children with learning difficulties. Speedwell's Secret Garden offers all kinds of delights for children with special sensory, mobility and educational needs.

Special Lifetime Achievement Award - IMPACT Award
2010 (NIEA & OFMDFM)



ST MARY'S UNIVERSITY COLLEGE



Global Dimension On-Line Course

The global dimension is now a core element of the revised Northern Ireland Curriculum, forming an integral part of compulsory provision. It is placed within a more general government drive to engage innovatively with some of the most challenging questions our society is dealing with today regarding conflict and peace, poverty and excess wealth, interdependence and dependence, and human rights and justice.



With this in mind, St. Mary's University College set up the Global Dimension in Education Project which aims to prepare student teachers to implement this aspect of the curriculum effectively by integrating it across the College community.

Integral to the Project has been the development of an on-line course to support students completing the Certificate in the Global Dimension in Education. The Global Dimension On Line Course points you in the right direction for ideas on how to incorporate the eight global dimension concepts successfully in to your teaching and learning. Also provides information and links to many of the key statutory bodies and Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) who can provide support and help you get started.

“The materials are great. It's nice that everything is in one place...it makes it easier to focus on my topic.” BEd Student

The global dimension can be understood through the eight concepts which provide a conceptual framework for thinking about and building them into the curriculum:

- Human rights,
- Social justice,
- Interdependence,
- Sustainable development,
- Conflict resolution,
- Global citizenship,
- Diversity,
- Values and Attitudes.

These are closely linked to the key themes of the NI Curriculum:

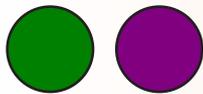
- Democracy and active participation,
- Diversity and Inclusion,
- Equality and Justice,
- Human Rights and Social responsibility.

These can be incorporated across all subject areas in all Key Stages.

The Course is divided into folders and sub folders:

- Introduction to the Global Dimension,
- Certification Information (for St. Mary's Students only),
- NI Statutory Bodies and NGOs,
- Planning, Resources and Projects,
- Global Dimension Conferences (in St. Mary's University College),
- Activities.

Other areas of the St. Mary's Global Dimension site provide information on College activities related to the Project. Available to St. Mary's staff and students at <http://learningni.net> and to everyone via the St. Mary's University College website at <http://www.stmarys-belfast.ac.uk/academic/education/gde/default.asp>



SUSTRANS

Sustrans is the UK's leading sustainable transport charity whose mission is to get people to travel in ways that benefit their health and the environment. We work with schools throughout the UK on practical projects to get more children walking and cycling.



Sustrans Bike It and Schools in Northern Ireland

The Bike It project works directly with schools, promoting active school travel and increasing the number of pupils cycling to school. The aim of Bike It is to create a pro-cycling culture within schools that continues long after the Bike It officer has finished their work. Bike It has been working with schools in Belfast since 2009.



The Bike It project is able to effect real and sustained behaviour change within schools by:

- Co-ordinating cycling events, rides and incentive schemes for pupils.
- Making the case for cycling in school travel plans.
- Supporting cycling champions within schools.
- Providing guidance on cycling issues.
- Developing classroom sessions along with teachers.
- Providing Bikeability cycle training for a number of children.
- Generating press and media coverage of school events.

What Can You Do?

For schools who would like to begin encouraging children to walk and cycle to school, there is support available at www.saferoutestoschools.org.uk.

This website gives you access to lots of information to help you get started. There are free downloads available for pupils, parents and teachers, and our telephone number is 028 9043 4569- contact Beth Harding, Bike It officer.

Curriculum Areas:

Language & Literacy
 Maths & Numeracy
 The Arts
 Physical Education
 The World Around Us
 Personal Development
 & Mutual Understanding
 Learning for Life and
 Work
 Science & Technology
 Environment & Society

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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TALNOTRY AVIAN CARE TRUST

The T.A.C.T. Wildlife Centre is open for school visits throughout the year. A variety of activities can be arranged, from a guided tour and talk on the animals at the Centre to more specific projects incorporating topics of interest. T.A.C.T. provides a visual and real experience in contact with animals. This brings understanding and awareness of local wildlife.



At any one time there are approximately 350 creatures living at the Centre. These long term residents become ambassadors for their species and may be used as resources to teach adults and children of all ages and abilities about wildlife, conservation, the need to promote and protect the environment and make the school curriculum come alive in a unique way.

T.A.C.T. is available to visit schools right across the country at all times of the school year.

Off-site resources include:

- Live animals such as rabbits, hedgehogs, kestrels, owls and foxes,
- Powerpoint presentations covering a range of environmental themes,
- Taxidermy,
- Birds eggs, and nests,
- Invertebrates.

Or bring a group to the Centre to see at first hand the work carried out there and meet some of the residents at close quarters.

On-site resources include:

- Live birds and mammals such as swans, gulls, gannets,
- Birds of prey, geese, foxes, hedgehogs and many other species,
- A range of taxidermy, eggs, nests, and invertebrates,
- Quizzes, treasure hunts and other project work.

Education packs are included in the visit. These packs contain information relevant to the various Key Stages. However, these can be amended to suit your specific subject e.g. Hibernation, Adaptation, Classification, Woodland Species etc.

Curriculum Areas:

Ecology
 Biology
 Art and Design
 Economics
 English
 Geography
 History
 Information
 Technology
 Maths
 Modern Languages
 Politics
 Religious Education

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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'Bernice' the Barn Owl

School trip to T.A.C.T Centre



THE CONSUMER COUNCIL

The Consumer Council is an independent consumer organisation, working to bring about change to benefit Northern Ireland's consumers. We do this by running information and education campaigns, influencing the public and private sectors, undertaking research and producing publications.

The Consumer Council and the Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment (CCEA) created a unique web-based game called Ecoworld, designed to be used as a school educational resource to help young people understand how the consumer choices they make today affect all our lives and the environment.

The aim of Ecoworld is to educate young people in a fun way on the management of resources, such as water and energy, and environmental responsibility. It also aims to encourage responsible choices and informed decision-making.

The resource which is best suited for Key Stage 3 pupils (Years 8, 9 and 10) consists of a resource pack and an interactive game. The resource pack includes a micro-site which is a website with the relevant supporting materials and information required by both teachers and pupils to gain a full understanding of the issues explored in the game. The game is based around a character called Eco and his 3-D house. It allows young people to learn about energy, water, food, transport and waste issues through game-play and the consequences of actions taken.

In addition to the web-based game Ecoworld can also be played at dedicated kiosks in W5 Interactive Discovery Centre and the Silent Valley Education Centre.



Curriculum Areas:

Citizenship and education for sustainability

Key Stages:

Key Stage 3 pupils (Years 8, 9 and 10)

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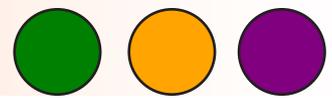
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THE NATIONAL TRUST

The National Trust owns and looks after over 12,000 hectares of land and 200 kilometres (one third) of Northern Ireland's coastline. Two-thirds of this land is exceptionally important for its biodiversity. Many sites - from the Giant's Causeway to the top of Slieve Donard - are in the most scenic parts of Northern Ireland and are important for access, environmental learning and education for sustainable development. Our learning programmes are delivered through the Education Teams based at a variety of sites across Northern Ireland and link into the Northern Ireland Curriculum such as The World Around Us, Thinking Skills, PDMU and Citizenship. http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-global/w-localtoyou/w-northernireland/w-northernireland-learning_discovery-2.htm



North Coast Contact Lisa McCaughan 028 2073 1582 learningnorthcoast@nationaltrust.org.uk

K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Discovering Downhill: Wildlife and Woodlands Using the woodland area in Downhill, pupils investigate thoroughly this wonderful habitat through hands on activities and decision making exercises. For example, they investigate the trees, using blindfolds and bark rubbings. They also take part in mini-beast studies and examine the other creatures that live at Downhill. The history of Downhill is also considered through funny stories about the crazy Earl Bishop who once lived here.
K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Barmouth Bonanza: Birds and Biodiversity Children get the unique opportunity for some outstanding bird watching from a hide ideally located at the Barmouth estuary. Pupils will consider the habitats present in this area and explore through an interactive programme, bird adaptation, relationships and interactions in the environment with migration and conservation issues.
K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Wicked White Park Bay: Fossils and First Men This is an interactive examination of this wild seashore environment. Children consider the use of this location in the past, present and future. They even have the opportunity to stand on top of a tumulus! They take part in Fossil hunts and scavenger hunts, look at the caves and investigate the dune environment. The biodiversity found in the dunes, the beach and on the magnificent surrounding cliffs and headlands are all investigated.
K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Hezlett House: A Home from the Past Children come dressed in Victorian costume to experience what life was really like for a Victorian child working and living at Hezlett House. They arrive and have to survive the hiring fair, followed by a tour of the house with their new master to find out their duties and where they will sleep. They listen to real stories from this era, play some Victorian games, make a craft and plant their own seed to bring home with them.
K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Portstewart Strand: Dune Discovery Pupils investigate the stunning and extensive dune system found at Portstewart Strand. They begin with a scavenger hunt in teams with tasks to complete as they make their way up the beach to the sand ladder. They look at the beach and tides and will discover how such an environment is formed, without getting their feet too wet! They then go for a trek through the dune system where wild flowers are examined and butterfly and moth hunts take place. The children consider in a simple way the use of this location in the past, present and future and tackle questions concerning conservation.
K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Carrick-a-Rede: The Salmon Story Pupils are led on the journey of a salmon - who will live until the end? They look at the life cycle of the salmon, the different parts of a fish and the fishing industry that occurred at Carrick-a-Rede in the past. Geared up with binoculars they have clues to solve as they make their way to the bridge and one of the highlights of course is crossing over it!! Other activities also include bird watching and bird identification from the island. The quarry industry is also explained through sorting activities and by exploring and looking at the different type of rocks which make up the cliffs, the old kilns and buildings that still can be found on site.

Curriculum Areas:

The World Around Us
PDMU
Geography
History
ESD
Citizenship

Key Stages:

Foundation and KS
1 - 4

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KS3 & 4	The World Around Us	Habitat Management Looking specifically at Portstewart Strand pupils will investigate how the National Trust manage such a sensitive and fragile environment. Special designations and their impacts will be discussed as well as the latest MOSS scheme (Management of Sensitive Sites) They will carry out a dune walk to look at some of the measures in place and depending on the time of year may have the opportunity to carry out some management work.
KS3 & 4	The World Around Us	Sand Dune Succession Studies Using Portstewart Strand or White Park Bay, pupils can be led on a Sand dune succession study. They will investigate the changing vegetation through the dunes using sampling techniques from the beginning embryo dunes right back to the climatic climax vegetation.
KS3 & 4	The World Around Us	Carrick-a-Rede: Industry and Geology Pupils take a close look at the geology of the site, they investigate the rock types that can be found and even can look for some fossils. They will then consider as a result of this; the type of work that occurred here in the past. They will examine in an interactive way the old quarry industry and fishing industry. An exciting programme which leads them to the bridge and beyond. During the programme, the biodiversity found on site will also be investigated.

Giant's Causeway Contact Eleanor Killough 028 2073 3408 eleanor.killough@nationaltrust.org.uk

K S 1 & 2	The World Around Us	Following Finn's Footsteps and the Artist's Palette
K S 2	The World Around Us	Giant's Activity Trail
KS 3 & 4, AS & A level	Geography, Geology, Travel and Tourism Conservation	Causeway Tour

The Argory Contact Michelle Clancy 028 8778 9011 michelle.clancy@nationaltrust.org.uk

K S 1	Personal Development, Language and Literacy, Mutual Understanding	Tommy's Story - Children dress up and celebrate the birthday of the last child to grow up in The Argory
K S 2	Personal Development, Mutual Understanding, The World Around Us, Language and Literacy	Applying for a Job on the Estate - Children dress up and inspect the Estate
KS 3 & 4, AS & A level	Personal Development, Mutual Understanding, Language and Literacy, The Arts	Preparing for a Victorian Christmas - Children dress in simple costumes

Castle Ward Contact Shirley Lennon 028 4488 1543 shirley.lennon@nationaltrust.org.uk

Foundation and KS1	The World Around Us, The Arts, Language and Literacy and PDMU,	Applefest - craft, planting, games and art based on an "apple" theme. (September and October and early November.) PDMU session focusing on similarities and differences.
KS1	The World Around Us, The Arts, PDMU	Pack Up Your Troubles - living history - life in Castle Ward during World War II. Meet the cook to discuss rationing; pack an evacuee's suitcase; discuss air raid precautions; play with wartime toys and games and help a land girl with planting.
Foundation and KS1	The World Around Us, The Arts, Language and Literacy	Farmyard Fun at The Barn - a farm themed activity session for pre-school and foundation level. This programme offers groups the lovely facilities of our Barn area with its outdoor and indoor farm toys along with a visit to our fascinating farm animals. Guide led storytelling sessions or farm themed crafts can be included.
Foundation and KS1	The World Around Us, The Arts, Language and Literacy	Birds, Bugs and Beasts - the investigative approach allows pupils to take part in a "mini beast hunt," "collecting" activities, studies of animal homes and habitat, bird activities and listening games.

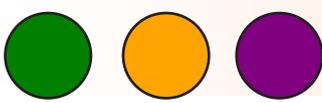
Foundation and KS1	The World Around Us, Language and Literacy, PDMU.	Life Below Stairs - activity tour of the house, laundry, dairy and playroom. Discover what life was like for a servant in Victorian times. Pupils meet the Housekeeper, explore social customs, experience traditional laundry methods, practise making butter prints in the Dairy and dress up and play with traditional toys. (Early September and March - June)
KS2	The World Around Us, The Arts, Language and Literacy, PDMU	A Tale of Christmas Past - Victorian themed costumed programme which includes, crafts, literacy and history.
KS2	The World Around Us, Mathematics and Numeracy, Language and Literacy	Mary Ward's Discovery Day - explore the outdoors, with a focus on science and the environment.
KS2	The World Around Us, Language and Literacy, PDMU.	Sort it Out! - examine the theme of conflict resolution in the historical setting of Castle Ward. Activities include "odd one out", role play, an interactive house visit and conflict resolution activities. (September and mid March - June)

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KS 1	The World Around Us	The Ark Club Rainbow Chips
KS 1	PDMU	Little Lady Helen Plasy a Trick
KS 1	The Arts, PDMU	The Estate Party Party (Christmas 1950)
KS 2	The World Around Us	Autumn Tree Train
KS 2	The Arts, PDMU	The Magic Inkpot (Hallowe'en)
KS 2	The Arts, PDMU	You rang M'Lord A living history Victorian Programme
KS 2	The World Around Us	Fun Days on request - birds/minibeasts
KS 2	PDMU	Flag it up (Symbolism in NI context)

Springhill, Moneymore Contact Cherith Deacon 028 8674 8210 cherith.deacon@nationaltrust.org.uk

KS2	The World Around Us	World War Two (The Evacuees)
KS2	The World Around Us. Thinking Skills	Victorial Times
KS2	The World Around Us. Personal Development. Mutual Understanding	Plantation
KS1	The World Around Us. Personal Development. Mutual Understanding. Thinking Skills	Changing Times



ULSTER AMERICAN FOLK PARK

The Ulster American Folk Park is an outdoor museum which tells the story of life in Ireland and America in the 18th and 19th centuries, brought together by the experience of emigration. Costumed guides help school groups to explore Irish and American exhibit buildings, many of which are original buildings, relocated to the Park. Students can also join in traditional workshops such as woodcraft, corn dolly making, spinning and find out about traditional crops and foodstuffs.

The programmes are suitable for students at all stages of their education, from lower primary to upper secondary (Year 1-Year 14). Modifications of approach and content will of course be made as appropriate.

Outdoor Environmental Education Programme

The Folk Park is set in approximately 80 acres of grassland and natural woodlands and is thus particularly well suited for environmental education activities. As well as general tours with an emphasis on environmental education, we offer two specific programmes:

1. The 'Living Lightly' Environmental Trail is designed to encourage pupils to explore the natural environment of the Folk Park and raise issues relating to sustainable development.

Children follow the trail in groups guided by trained and costumed staff. They are encouraged to discuss environmental issues as they arise on the course of the trail. Topics covered include:

- Birds and animals of Ireland; the extent of their habitat in the past compared with the present,
- The different types of lichen growing within the Folk Park and its use as an indicator of air purity,
- Investigation of the peatland habitat,
- Native Irish and American tree species and investigation of the woodland habitat,
- Medicinal use of plants.

2. 'Going Wild' is a workshop activity where participants explore the uses of naturally occurring flora, e.g. heather, nettles, gorse, rushes, wild fruit, etc. The activities undertaken vary with the seasons.



Curriculum Areas:

Geography
History
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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Indoor Environmental Education Programme

The exhibit buildings provide opportunities to research life in the 18th and 19th centuries when people made more use of naturally occurring resources for construction, clothing and food. Schoolchildren may join workshops to explore these resources, such as:

Adventures in wool/flax at home

Farm Work

Ulster farmhouse cooking

Basket weaving

Corn dolly making

Pioneer cooking

Textiles in Ulster

American woodcrafts

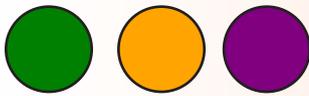
Native American activities

Facilities

Students may eat their packed lunches by arrangement in our large Assembly Room. There is also a café providing a range of snacks and drinks.

Adjoining the Folk Park is the Western Education and Library Board's Residential Centre, providing meals and overnight accommodation for up to 38 students. Additional accommodation is available in the neighbourhood.





ULSTER MUSEUM

The Ulster Museum will reopen in Summer 2009 after a major renewal project which has resulted in the revitalisation of a long-established national Museum. Innovative learning and outreach programmes, associated with dynamic new exhibitions and interactive displays, will make its diverse collections visually and emotionally stimulating and intellectually meaningful for visitors of all ages and background.

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Curriculum Areas:
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Key Stages:
1, 2, 3 and 4

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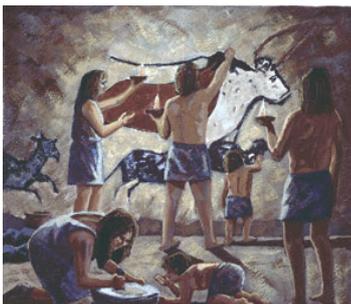
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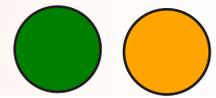
New Galleries

Central to the development is a series of new History and Sciences galleries presenting our natural heritage, human history, culture and way of life from the earliest times, using the latest techniques of interpretation and discovery to engage with, and challenge, our visitors. Visitors will enjoy direct access from the Central Courtyard to the Art, History and Science galleries and to a new sculpture court for the museum's important collection.

Learning Opportunities

A new state-of-the-art Learning Zone on the ground floor, History and Science Discovery Centres and a new public performance area will provide students, researchers, family and community groups, artists and tourists with unprecedented access to the themes and treasures of the Ulster Museum.





ULSTER WILDLIFE TRUST

The Ulster Wildlife Trust currently offers several curriculum based wildlife education and awareness programmes for schools, youth clubs and after school groups. The Ulster Wildlife Trust's education programmes are tools for inspiring and empowering young people to take positive action for their local and global environment and to recognise their responsibilities as the future caretakers of our planet.

School/Youth Group Site Visits

Bog Meadows Nature Reserve - Belfast

Situated in the heart of Belfast's busy motorways and businesses, Bog Meadows Nature Reserve is an oasis for wildlife in the city with its diverse range of wetland and grassland habitats. KS1 and 2 school programmes have been specially designed to highlight the valuable contribution this site makes to a host of insect, bird and plant life. Please visit our website to find out more about education on our other nature reserves. www.ulsterwildlifetrust.org



Ulster Wildlife Trust

Outreach Workshops

The Ulster Wildlife Trust can also visit schools, youth clubs and community groups to deliver a range of workshops such as bird feeding, bird box building and seasonal workshops. Activities normally last 1-2 hours (adapted to suit time available) and include all the equipment required for a successful day.

Wildlife Watch Schools Membership



Schools can also tap into high quality resources and support by joining the Ulster Wildlife Trust as a Wildlife Watch Schools Member. Membership will help your school to utilise the classroom and grounds more creatively, plan enjoyable wildlife activities for pupils, and support your work towards Eco-Schools status. As a member, you will receive a wealth of information throughout the year including teacher support magazines, action packed guides, wildlife magazines, posters and much more. To discuss how Wildlife Watch can benefit your school, please contact us.

COSTS

Bog Meadows: Up to 15 pupils - £48.50; 16- 30 pupils - £97.50; 31 - 45 pupils - £146.00; 46 - 60 pupils - £195.00 (rates based on a 2hr session).

Outreach: £25 per hour for each UWT Staff member required, plus mileage at 45p per mile.

Wildlife Watch Schools Membership: £75 per school, per year.

TO BOOK: For booking and more information, please email education@ulsterwildlifetrust.org or tel. 028 4483 0282 or visit our website www.ulsterwildlifetrust.org

Curriculum Areas:

English
Geography
Maths
Science

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3 and 4

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UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER - SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The School of Education at the University of Ulster seeks to provide high quality teaching, research and scholarship and to become a recognised Centre of Excellence in the provision of education in Northern Ireland. It endeavours to develop partnerships with all involved in education and to provide opportunities for learning in the range of formal and informal contexts. All our policies and practices aim to promote inclusion and to provide educational opportunities for all, irrespective of social, economic, cultural, religious and political differences. The School provides courses at undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral levels.

ESD is a particularly prominent component of our initial teacher education programmes which take the form of a one-year Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE). PGCE Geography students have a particular interest in ESD as do those who opt for the Local and Global Citizenship subsidiary programme but all students take part in special primary and post-primary one-day events which feature workshops which are facilitated by EEF member organisations. These events have been very well received by student teachers who appreciate the opportunity to find out about the support and learning materials provided by local environmental organisations.

Global Citizenship is a strong feature of the work of the School of Education and the Lessons Today for Change Tomorrow project is building a partnership with Chancellor College in Zomba, Malawi. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed in May 2008 when the Dean of the Faculty of Social Science, Professor Anne Moran, visited Malawi with three student teachers. They visited several local schools, some of which were part of the Zomba Action Project at Coleraine Borough Council. A UU scholarship fund has been established to allow either a postgraduate research student or staff member from Chancellor College to visit the School of Education at Ulster and to spend some time in Northern Ireland engaging in research and visiting schools.



Curriculum Areas:

Art and Drama, English with Drama and Media Studies, Geography, History, Home Economics, Music, Physical Education and Technology and Design

Key Stages:

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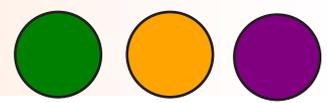
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W5 - Whowhatwherewhenwhy

Have you ever thought about launching a rocket, or how about a flying a plane? Want to sneak up on a butterfly or find out about the rocks beneath your feet? At W5, imagination and curiosity are your keys to discovery and fun. W5 is a magical place with exhibitions and workshops, placing learning in context and providing memorable experiences for pupils and great ideas for teachers. W5 hosts over 250 interactive exhibits that cover many curriculum areas. They are organised into three exhibition areas:



- **START** an area specifically for children under 8,
- In **GO** you can make your heart beat faster and take the tug-of-war challenge. **GO** contains exhibits that 'move/go',
- **SEE** allows you to explore the natural world and use an interactive nature wall to discover a whole new world of wildlife on your doorstep. **DO** is the area where you can design and build bridges, stress test structures, become an animator and create your own animation.

GO and **SEE/DO** also provide a backdrop for interactive floorshows lasting approximately 15 minutes that focus on curriculum related issues and topics.

Education Programme

W5 has an extensive education programme for all key stages.

Nursery workshops last 30 minutes and are designed in line with the curriculum for pre-school education, incorporating fun, hands-on learning experiences.

Foundation Stage programmes are designed around the fundamental principles that young children learn best when learning is interactive, practical and enjoyable for both children and teachers.

Key Stage One and Two workshops have been developed to reflect the revised curriculum and place explicit emphasis on the development of skills in communication, using mathematics, ICT, thinking skills and personal capabilities. Children have the opportunity to develop these skills through a range of challenging, relevant and enjoyable learning experiences.

Post-primary programme aims to help pupils visualise difficult concepts and theories by using a range of active teaching methods. They have been developed to support the STEM agenda and demonstrate the relevance of science and improve life and work skills. This includes information management, communication, working with others, problem-solving and decision-making skills.

Outreach Programme

W5's outreach team can bring science to your school! Our outreach team can deliver various demonstration shows in schools, lasting up to an hour and/or workshops selected from our education programme. Schools can act as a hub for other schools and develop a cross community event.



Curriculum Areas:

Science
Geography
Maths
Technology
Music
ICT
English
History

Key Stages:

Pre-school, KS 1, 2, 3
GCSE, AS and A2

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WEEKS ENVIRONMENTAL



Waggle Woods

What is WaggleWoods?

A resource full of exciting hands on creative woodland activities

Who is it for?

KS2 Teachers and Pupils

What will it do for you?

It will save teachers a lot of preparation work, as a six week scheme of work and lesson plans are provided for you! It will help deliver the curriculum to pupils in an exciting, interactive and cross curricular format. It will stimulate and engage pupils in activities and learning in and around the natural world and environmental issues.



Waggle Woods is produced by Weeks Environmental, which is an Environmental Education, Community and Heritage Consultancy which has been delivering projects in these fields for 20 years on behalf of a wide range of national, regional and local clients and schools across the UK. Our client list includes well-known national organisations and companies.

Weeks Environmental has a flexible work practice, working as part of a client's team, puts together a team of Associates with skills relevant to specific projects, or works alone. Ninety percent of our work is derived from referrals.

Weeks Environmental provides a reliable and personal, cost effective service. Education Services



Weeks Environmental works with creative practitioners such as sculptors, puppeteers, artists and musicians to provide hands-on, interactive environmental education and interpretation of biodiversity and the natural environment.

This service is available all year round, for primary and post-primary schools throughout Northern Ireland. These visits are customized to suit the requirements of the school and can involve working within school and school grounds or working within a particular habitat or location.



Curriculum Areas:

Ecology
Biology
Art and Design
Economics
English
Geography
History
Information
Technology
Maths

Key Stages:

1, 2, 3, GCSE, A Level

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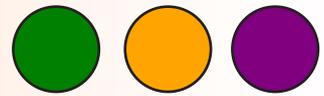
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WESTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

The WELB serves the district council areas of Derry City Council, Fermanagh District Council, Limavady Borough Council, Omagh District Council and Strabane District Council. It provides advice and support to schools and Youth Service in relation to transport, procurement, waste and energy in partnership with environmental groups and district councils.



The WELB Curriculum Advisory and Support Service (CASS) is wholly committed to the concept of Education for Sustainable Development and the support and guidance to schools which CASS provides is informed by the knowledge that ESD is a statutory element of the Northern Ireland Curriculum.

WELB - CASS encourages and advises schools in initiatives such as ECO-Schools, Best Kept Schools, ECO-UNESCO and similar environmental schemes. WELB - CASS has worked in partnership with the Western Investing for Health Partnership to produce an educational resource for primary school children which focuses on food and its links to nutrition, the environment, health and our cultural heritage. WELB - CASS has actively encouraged and promoted a number of Woodland Schools in Limavady and in County Fermanagh.

The WELB has a unique and exceptionally valuable resource in Magilligan Field Centre, which is ideally situated to provide stimulating educational experiences in the natural environment. Magilligan Field Centre provides field courses which maximise participation through hands-on learning in the environment, structured in order to integrate learning in the field and in the classroom setting. Courses are regularly reviewed and refined, and are closely linked to the Northern Ireland Curriculum and to examination board specifications.

Youth Service

The main aim of WELB Youth Service is **“To support and encourage young people to maximise their potential in their personal and social development”**

The Youth Service provides support to schools, youth clubs, uniformed organisations and youth centres in the provision of Curriculum programme areas dealing with Personal, Recreational, Community and Environmental issues.

Just as the programmes vary so do the locations where young people meet. Young people can be engaged on the streets, in community centres, youth centres, schools, church halls, on boats, mountains or even underground. We receive many enquiries from young people who want details of youth clubs and organisations in their area. Many adults seek voluntary opportunities in youth work while parents or community groups seek advice about the assistance available to help them establish or operate youth facilities.

Please contact the Area Youth Officer nearest to you or you can contact us directly at Headquarters.

It maintains residential facilities at:

Gortatole Outdoor Education Centre, Florencecourt, Co Fermanagh;

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All

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All and Youth Service

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WILDFOWL & WETLANDS TRUST

The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust (Castle Espie) is a voluntary organisation that aims to conserve wetlands and their biodiversity. WWT is very keen to teach children the importance of the environment and tries to ensure 'life long learning' by offering fun, exciting activities that children enjoy and remember.

Activities offered by educators

There are various activities offered by the educators including feeding the ducks, geese and swans, learning about feathers and flight, migration, general biodiversity topics, wetlands habitats, and sustainability.



Education programmes

1. **Great pond safari** - aimed at Key Stage 2 which includes pond dipping, sensory activities, dressing up as pond creatures, and a certificate. A programme best suited to the spring term.
2. **My great adventure** (migration)- aimed at Key Stage 2. This programme includes many activities and games related to migration and is best during the autumn/winter term.
3. **Close encounters** - aimed at Key Stage 1. Includes a story about 5 ducklings and sensory activities highlighting touch, smell, sight, listening and taste.
4. **Tailored programmes** - We can also offer a tailored day at Castle Espie to suit the needs of the teachers.

What subjects are covered?

The subjects covered include English, Maths, Science, Biology, Chemistry, Geography, History, Art and Design (The world around us)

What Key Stages these activities are relevant to?
We can cater for all Key Stages with programmes suited to all ages.



Curriculum Areas:

- Art and Design
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English
- Geography
- History
- Maths
- Science

Key Stages:

- 1, 2, 3 and 4

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WOODLAND TRUST

Learning through the seasons

The Woodland Trust is the UK's leading woodland conservation charity. One of its key aims is to see more and more people enjoying trees and woods as part of their everyday lives. To support this, the Trust has developed a series of high quality educational resources and projects, created in partnership with teachers and tested by children.

The Woodland Trust's website dedicated to teachers offers a range of online and offline curriculum-linked activities for use both in the classroom and outdoors. Visit www.naturedetectives.org.uk/schools

Play and explore with ideas galore! Free, fun, fresh - nature detectives has over a thousand downloads and activities to help kids discover nature, woods and trees. Find a treasure trove of spotter sheets, scavenger hunts, art competitions, games, crafts and puzzles... or create your own! Great ideas for families, schools and youth groups - use them anywhere, any season, in any weather! Start your own adventure at www.naturedetectives.org.uk

The nature detectives CLUB is packed full with even more - get stickers, a giant wall chart, seasonal activity packs stuffed with ideas, plus new nature challenges every single week to get kids outside! Perfect for the inquisitive young members of your family, plus schools and groups can join in too. Dig in, www.naturedetectives.org.uk/club

Free packs of 30 native trees are available to schools and youth groups, complete with downloadable curriculum-linked resources. Visit www.MoreTreesMoreGood.org.uk

The Woodland Trust is calling for a massive increase in tree planting with its campaign 'More Trees, More Good'. The Trust wants to see a doubling of native woodland cover throughout the UK over the next 50 years. To find out about 'More Trees, More Good' activities in Northern Ireland contact Michelle McCaughtry.



**WOODLAND
TRUST**

Curriculum Areas:

Geography
Maths
Science
English

Key Stages:

1 and 2

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