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National Museum of Ireland

Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann

Summer Education Course for Primary Teachers at the National Museum of Ireland,
Archaeology, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Monday 6th July to Friday 10th July 2009

Presenting the Past. The National Museum of Ireland, Archaeology, as a teaching resource.

Programme

Unless stated otherwise, all sessions will be facilitated by members of staff of the Education and Outreach Department, National Museum of Ireland.

Monday 6th July

- 10.00am – 11.00am Registration and Outline of the Course.
Dr. Patrick Wallace, Museum Director/ Lorraine Comer, Head of Education
Siobhan Pierce, Education Officer.
- 11.15am – 12.15pm Introduction to the National Museum of Ireland and its exhibitions.
- 12.15pm – 12.45pm Lunch
- 12.45pm – 2.45pm Approaches and Methods in the teaching of Archaeology
History and heritage to Primary School Audiences
Roisin Ni Niadh, Rannoga History, Marino Institute of Education

Tuesday 7th July

- 10.00am – 11.00am Linking the exhibitions across the Primary Curriculum.
Specialised tours of the exhibitions concentrating on curriculum related themes.
- 11.15am – 12.15pm An Introduction to the Archives of the Antiquities Division of the
National Museum of Ireland, Kildare Street.
Padraig Clancy, Assistant Keeper, Irish Antiquities Division,
National Museum of Ireland.
- 12.15pm – 12.45pm Lunch
- 12.15pm – 2.45pm Become a Junior Archaeologist – Workshop. How to introduce the
concept of archaeological practice to the classroom in a creative and
innovative way.

Wednesday 8th July

- 10.00am – 12.15pm Linking the exhibitions across the Primary Curriculum.
Tour and art workshop based on the Museum's exhibitions of
Viking and Medieval Ireland.
- 12.15pm – 12.45pm Lunch
- 12.45pm – 2.45pm Field Trip: Walking tour of Viking and Medieval Dublin.
Dr Stephen Harrison, Research Associate at the Department of
Medieval Studies, Trinity College Dublin.

Thursday 9th July

- 10.00am – 11.00am Kingship and Sacrifice: exploring the cross curricular potential of the
Museum's Iron Age exhibitions.
- 11.15am – 12.15pm Illustrated Lecture on the development of the Museum's
website and a guide to online resources linked to the
Museum's collections.
Member of the IT Department, National Museum of
Ireland.
- 12.15pm – 12.45pm Lunch
- 12.45pm – 2.45pm Field Trip: Guided tours of the Conservation Laboratory and
Temporary Exhibition of the Natural History Collections located at the
National Museum of Ireland, Collins Barracks.

Friday 10th July

- 10.00am – 11.00pm Curriculum Links: Ancient Civilisations.
Guided tours of the Museum's exhibitions on Egypt and Ancient
Rome.
- 11.15am – 12 noon Behind the Scenes: to give an understanding of the role of a
Museum Curator.
Maeve Sikora, Curator, Irish Antiquities Division, National Museum of
Ireland.
- 12.00pm – 12.30pm Lunch
- 12.30pm - 2.00pm Workshop: The Use of Storytelling and Drama in the Classroom
Susie Minto, Storyteller – *Stories from the Heart*
- 2.00pm – 2.30pm Review and Evaluation.
Siobhan Pierce, Education Officer, and Facilitators.

This Course has been approved by the Department of Education and Science under Rule
58 of the rules for National Schools.

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