



**KIL
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Schools Programme: Cultural History

At Kilmartin Museum we offer educational experiences for pre-school, primary and secondary school pupils. We provide interactive, interdisciplinary, hands-on activities aimed at giving pupils a greater understanding of Argyll's place within the wider world.

Whilst the museum is **closed until Spring 2023**, the education team can offer the following activities to schools, this includes an on-site guided visit with an associated activity session in the school classroom.

Our cultural programme ranges from prehistory through to the Highland Clearances, and our natural history programme interprets the National Nature Reserves at Mòine Mhór and Tainish.

We are keen to work with all nurseries and schools in Argyll, therefore if you have a specific project in mind, contact us to see how we can develop activities with you.

Primary Schools

Choice of Interactive Activities

Early People

Stone Age

Mesolithic Object loan box

Early Farmers

Crofting Connections

In School, discover how people began to settle in Kilmartin Glen as they started to farm the land. Discover whether the crops and animals you decide to farm on your land will sustain you through a harsh Neolithic winter and try your hand at fleece carding, using a drop spindle and weaving on a peg loom. Find out how Neolithic people discovered how to form and bake the earth to create pottery, and create your own pot.

Kilmartin Glen Site Visit

Explore the Nether Largie Standing Stones, Linear cemetery and Temple Wood.

Achnabreac Forest Park Rock Art Carvings

Discover and explore the beautiful Rock Art carvings of Achnabreac. Who were the people who carved the symbols? Why did they carve the symbols and how have climate and environmental factors affected the Rock Art since they were carved thousands of years ago?

In school, children can design/create their own interpretation of Prehistoric Rock Art through the medium of paint and a natural material.

Bronze Age

Bronze Age Detectives

Discover the cairn of the unknown craftsman, and investigate the clues to find out why this person was so important to the people of Kilmartin Glen. In school, children can create a Bronze Age beaker pot.

Iron Age and Early Historic

Dunadd

Visit Dunadd Hill Fort to discover why this site is so important to the birth of Scotland. In school, take part in an object handling session and create an Iron Age pottery vessel.

Vikings

Viking Explorers

Explore Dunadd and take part in an exploratory trail. In school, children can take part in an object handling session and create their own runic inscriptions in a clay tablet.

Highland Clearances

Deserted Settlements

Explore the deserted settlements of Kilmory Oib and Arichonan and discover more about life in a preclearance township. Take part in a walk over survey and learn how to measure and record key structural features.

Costs:

Travel subsidies are available for many of these visits, please contact us for details.

In school workshops are charged at £2 per pupil
There is an additional charge of £1 per pupil for clay activities.

Loans Boxes

We have seven loans boxes available containing replica artefacts, hands-on activities, resources and teacher's pack. These boxes are available for schools to borrow for up to six weeks.

We have the following loans boxes available:

- Mesolithic Neolithic
- Bronze Age Dunadd
- Vikings Iron Age
- Crofting

Please contact us to arrange to borrow one of our loans boxes, there is a charge of £15

For further information and bookings, please contact Julia or Ken

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