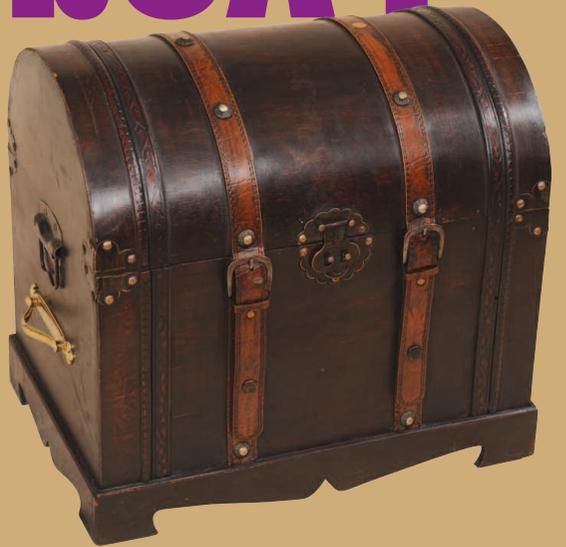




KERRY
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museum

what's in the box?



KERRY COUNTY MUSEUM'S EXCITING
LOAN BOX PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOLS

what's your 'loan box' programme all about?

Kerry County Museum has created three customised boxes – treasure chests – that contain artefacts from its collections. These boxes are available on loan to primary schools in Kerry. They are specifically designed to bring a sense of discovery and scientific investigation to the classroom, exciting the children's curiosity by giving them a hands-on experience of history and archaeology.

why create this programme?

We want to bring the Museum out of its building and into the wider community. By extending access to our collections we can demonstrate the enormous potential of the Museum as an educational resource.

is each box unique?

Yes. Each box contains a different set of objects and each relates to a specific period: Prehistory, Medieval, and Twentieth Century. The boxes are specifically designed to tie in with the curriculum and are supported by specially prepared educational resource materials, as well as activity sheets in Irish and English.

do you provide teacher support?

Yes. Our Education Officer liaises with the teacher, providing ample background information as well as a copy of the educational resource materials that accompanies each box. The Education Officer will also deliver the box to your school and give an introductory session for the teacher and the class on the care and handling of the objects.



Tagann na bosca agus na hábhair tacaíochta go mór leis an gCuraclam Leasaithe



what's in each of the boxes?

Prehistory Box

This box contains Stone Age and Bronze Age artefacts discovered throughout Kerry along with replica objects and resource materials.

How this box supports the history curriculum...

AREA 1: LOCAL STUDIES

Local historic sites and ruins • My locality through the ages

AREA 3: CONTINUITY AND CHANGE OVER TIME

Homes and houses • Food and farming

AREA 4: EARLY PEOPLE AND ANCIENT SOCIETIES

Stone Age peoples • Bronze Age peoples



Ballinskelligs Castle Box

This box contains artefacts from an excavation of a medieval tower house in south Kerry along with replica clothes, objects and resource materials.

How this box supports the history curriculum...

AREA 1: LOCAL STUDIES

Local historic sites and ruins • My locality through the ages

AREA 3: CONTINUITY AND CHANGE OVER TIME

Clothes • Homes and houses • Food and farming

AREA 5: LIFE, SOCIETY, WORK AND CULTURE IN THE PAST

Life in Norman Ireland • Life in medieval towns and countryside in Ireland and Europe



Twentieth Century Box

This box contains original items donated to the Museum along with resource materials.

How this box supports the history curriculum...

AREA 3: CONTINUITY AND CHANGE OVER TIME

Transport and communications • Schools and education • Food and farming

AREA 5: LIFE, SOCIETY, WORK AND CULTURE IN THE PAST

Life during World War II • Life in Ireland since the 1950s

AREA 6: ERAS OF CHANGE AND CONFLICT

Changing roles of women in the 19th and 20th centuries • Modern Ireland



do the boxes need special care?

Yes. While the actual boxes themselves are designed to take a bit of wear and tear, the contents do need to be treated with care. As there are many original artefacts in the boxes a little practical common sense and some careful handling is required. We suggest that one teacher or staff member takes responsibility for the box while it is in your school and our Education Officer will brief them on the proper handling and care. These procedures are outlined in the Teacher's Manual and each box has an inventory checklist to help keep tabs on the objects.

do we need extra insurance?

Your school's insurance policy needs to be extended to cover the boxes. This is a straightforward procedure: inform your insurance provider of the value of the collection (€5,000) and the length of time it will be on school property (one month). A modest premium may be charged. Please contact us for further details and our Education Officer will talk you through the programme.

are the boxes heavy?

The treasure chests are designed to be handled easily by one adult or two children. They will also neatly pack away in a corner.

do you deliver?

Yes. Our Education Officer will bring the box to your school on the appointed day. The Education Officer will also collect the box after the loan period.



Tabharfaidh na boscaí seo deis do pháistí Chiarraí foghlaim agus iniúchadh a dhéanamh go praiticiúil

what's the loan period?

Each box is available to a school for up to one month. The boxes and the resource materials are specifically designed to allow the teacher to pick from a menu in order to structure a class session – the teacher can decide which objects to use and in what depth.

can you do workshops?

Yes. The Education Officer will do a short introductory session with each group. A 'Discover More' workshop either in the school or in the Museum can also be arranged.

what's the cost?

The one month loan fee for each box and an introductory session is €100. A 'three for the price of two' offer is also available. A 'Discover More' workshop in your school or in the Museum costs €80 per class.

how do I order a box for my school?

Contact the Education Officer at:

**Kerry County Museum
Ashe Memorial Hall
Denny St
Tralee**

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(Monday to Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm)
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Buíochas ó chroí leis na múinteoirí agus daltaí ar fud an Chontae a ghlac páirt sa tréimhse tástála den tionscnamh seo