

Booking Information

Advance preparation of students is necessary.
Supervision of class teacher is required on the visit.

Method of Payment

The Bog of Allen Nature centre accepts debit cards, cheques and cash. Please make all cheques payable to the Irish Peatland Conservation Council.

A deposit of €50 is required before the visit and the balance should be paid at the centre on the day of your groups visit.

Group/School Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Contact: _____

Mobile No: _____ No. of Students/adults: _____

Date of Visit: _____

Preferred Time for visit: _____

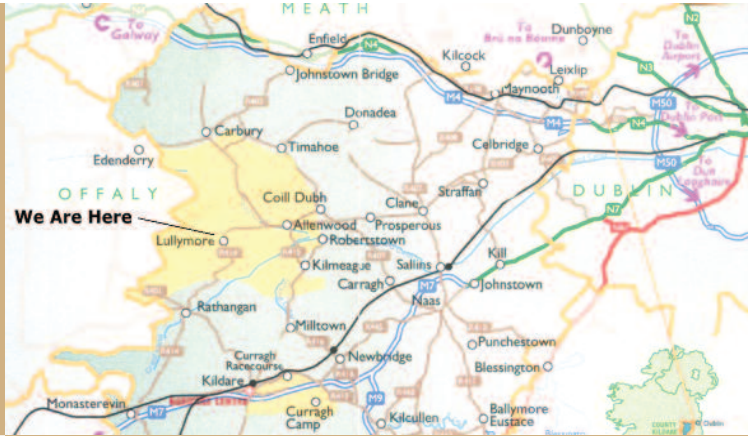
Would your group like to take part in our Discover Primary Science Programme? YES: _____

DPS roll number: _____

Please outline the activity programme your group would like to take part in: _____

Please return to:

Bog of Allen Nature Centre, Irish Peatland Conservation Council, Lullymore, Rathangan, Co. Kildare or call **045-860133** to Book Your visit



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How To Get Here

Bog of Allen Nature Centre
Lullymore, Rathangan,
Co. Kildare

Tel: 045-860133

Fax: 045-860481

e-mail: bogs@ipcc.ie

web-site: www.ipcc.ie

Charity No: 6829

We are located on the R414 between Allenwood and Rathangan in North Kildare

Open all year from Monday-Friday from 10am-4pm
(Except at Christmas and public holidays)

Facilities:



Our Partners in Education



Visit the Bog of Allen Nature Centre



“One of the top 10 Eco Projects in Ireland”
Lonely Planet 2008



To prepare for your tour visit www.ipcc.ie, follow the Bogs in the Classroom Button.



Bogtastic!

Explore the wild boglands of Ireland. Experience life in a traditional kitchen with a turf fire. Follow a self guiding museum and exhibition tour to learn about all aspects of the wildlife and heritage of Irish bogs. Guides available in six languages. Browse through our Nature Shop filled with environmentally friendly gifts and games.

Continue your tour outdoors in the wildlife gardens. Collect IPCC's top ten wildlife gardening tips along the way. Visit Flytraps, the live exhibition of insect eating plants. Finish your day in the bog by visiting a living bog nature reserve in the Bog of Allen.

Admission: €5/person, No booking necessary

Guided Tours for Groups

International and Irish groups are always welcome to the centre. Booking in advance is essential to ensure a member of our team is available to guide you on your visit. This two hour tour includes the peatland museum, nature centre gardens and Lodge Bog.

Cost: €10/adult or €8/student, Booking essential

Go Wild Nature Camps

Throughout the year we run day and week long camps for children aged 7-13 years. The camps are fully supervised by experienced tutors. Let your child experience the great outdoors by engaging in activities such as pond dipping, nature crafts, frog hunts, woodland creepy crawlie searches and much more.

Cost: Day Camps: €15, Week camps: €50, Booking essential

Special Events

Throughout the year we organise open days and special events for visitors and volunteers for the following: World Wetlands Day, Biodiversity Week, Museums Day, Heritage Week, National Spring Clean, International Bog Day and Composting Week. For further details visit www.ipcc.ie or call 045-860133.

Learning Outside the Classroom

Primary Science

This 3 hour programme for your students ensures they will combine active learning with fun. All groups have a guided tour of our peatland exhibition centre followed by a quiz. Group Leaders choose two further activities from the following list:

- Pond Dipping - Most popular activity
- Woodland Invertebrates: quest for woodland creepy crawlies
- Composting and wildlife gardening: audit and rotters search
- Multi-sensory Earth Walk: look, listen and learn
- Flytraps - live exhibition of insect eating plants
- Nature Crafts: working with natural objects
- Traditional Irish Cottage: Ways of Old

or **Combine your two activities to Explore Lodge Bog**

Cost: €6.50 /student, Booking Essential

Discover Primary Science

New in 2009. "Walk on Water Ecology of Bogs" Discovering Primary Science Workshop. This programme links with the DPS Surface Tension and Bubbles activity sheet and extends it to a field study investigation of a bogland habitat. Includes four strands of activity investigating the ecology of bogs and finding out how it is possible to walk on water when you walk on a bog.

Cost: €6.50 /student, Booking Essential



Secondary School Field Courses

Junior Certificate Science, Leaving Certificate Ecology and Geography field studies are catered for. A member of our team is available to discuss your requirements. All investigations are curriculum linked and include:

- Animal Tracks and Signs
- Plant identification and adaptations to the bog environment
- Pond Dipping - Quantitative study of mini-beasts, food chains & webs
- Bog Formation
- Quadrat Study of wet and dry bog habitats
- Belt transect study of plant zonation on the bog
- Transect study of the effects of turf cutting on bogs to include water table measurements and Sphagnum and Heather mapping

Cost: €15/ student (5 hours) or €12/student (4 hours), Booking essential

A Day on the Bog Educator Training Course

The centre offers a five hour training course for groups of 10 or more participants to prepare individuals for leading groups into a peatland study site with students. Full training in the use of IPCC's educational resources is given. See www.ipcc.ie and follow the link for 'Bogs in the Classroom'.

Cost: €105/Educator, Booking Essential

Note: Each year the IPCC also offers week long teacher training courses in partnership with Education Centres in different regions entitled "An Introduction to Composting, Nature Crafts and the Wild Boglands". Please phone for details.



Don't forget to take:

- ✓ Wellies
- ✓ Sun cream
- ✓ Packed lunch
- ✓ Insect repellent
- ✓ Notebook / pencil