

ULSTER-SCOTS EDUCATION

august & september

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2026

We hope that youse aa haed a quait an peacefu Simmer break. Tak a wee jeuk through oor newsletter tae fin oot hoo ye can teach yer weans aboot Ulster-Scots tha yeir!

We hope that all of you had a quiet and peaceful Summer break. Take a wee look through our newsletter to find out how you can teach your pupils about Ulster-Scots this year.



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FREE

History

USA Kists

Our **Kist**, or chest, is filled with artefacts showcasing the influence of the Ulster-Scots (Scotch-Irish) in early 1700s America. The Kist brings history to life through hands-on discovery. We deliver an introductory assembly, then leave the Kist with the school so pupils can explore further through guided activities that deepen learning and spark curiosity.



Some other History Resources:

PRIMARY

[Plantation of Ulster](#)

[The Land of Promise: 1718 Migration to America](#)

[America's Ulster Story: from the Nerve Centre](#)

[Woven in Ulster: Ulster-Scots & the Story of Linen](#)

POST-PRIMARY

[Making Northern Ireland: from the Nerve Centre](#)

[Montgomery Plantation](#) by University of Ulster (KS3)

To book a session or to borrow the KIST, contact us on 028 90231113 or email education@ulsterscotsagency.org.uk

Language

We have developed lots of resources to help you bring the Ulster-Scots language into your classroom whether you're a '**broad**' speaker or only know a **when o wurd**.

From a simple scavenger hunt, to classroom labels to poetry lessons, we've got you covered. Check out our [Google Drive folder](#).

Art

International Dot Day, based on Peter H Reynolds' famous book, *The Dot*, takes place on 15 September. Why not explore some of our Ulster-Scots Artists using the **Our Artists** website? From sculpture and murals to landscapes and abstract paintings, these six inspiring artists will help your weans to be creative and 'make their mark.'

PDMU

We are Thran is our brand new PDMU resource focused around the positive attributes of being thran: perseverance, resilience, hard work, asking questions and noticing others. Whether you want to

do a one off lesson, or a series of lessons around some of our **THRAN innovators**, this resource is for you.



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STEAM

Ulster-Scots Innovators

There are a wealth of Ulster-Scots innovators and inventors who can easily slot into topics you're already covering in class.

Our brand new STEAM resources will help you introduce these Innovators into your classroom.

The first three innovators are Annie Maunder, Thomas Andrews and John Clarke.

Their work in astronomy, mechanical engineering and the development of new plant varieties respectively, still play an important role in their fields today.

Each Innovator Pack contains teacher guidance, pupil activity sheets and a character power-point. The included science experiments are linked with the area of work the Innovator was involved in. These Innovators will link with topics like **The Titanic, Famines and Space** in Primary and with **Science** and **Technology & Design** in Post-Primary.



Click here to
download
your copy.

Workshops

We can offer a variety of free interactive workshops to both primary and post-primary pupils covering aspects of history, culture and language.

These can be delivered to individual classes, year groups or school assemblies, and can be adapted to suit your needs or to fit in with current topic work.

Tutors can teach some country or highland dance steps, about the origins of the Lambeg Drum or Highland Bagpipes. Pupils can learn about the history of the Ulster-Scots and can explore the Ulster-Scots language.

Afterschools

Designed to be the follow-on from a workshop, Afterschools Clubs help children become more aware of the Ulster-Scots culture that is prevalent in their lives yet unknown by many.

Delivered over six weeks, pupils explore different aspects of Ulster-Scots culture through music, dance, drama, storytelling, language and history.

Contact us to express an interest in hosting a club in 2027.

Ulster-Scots Resources

There is a wealth of free resources available to help you to incorporate Ulster-Scots language, culture and heritage into your classroom. Click into our [Google Drive](#) to explore more lessons and ideas.



Throughout the year, we will be highlighting some of these resources in our monthly newsletters.

Find Out More

To find out more information about what we can offer schools, join us online at one of our Teacher Information Sessions.

Tue 25 Aug @ 11am or Wed 3 Sept @ 3.15pm

These 30mins sessions will give you an overview of classroom resources as well as an opportunity to ask questions. Email us at the address below to get the meeting link.

Contact Us

Can't find what you're looking for or are interested in workshop or after-schools club? **Dinnae be feart tae gie us a gulder!***

Contact our Education Officers, Gary & Shirlie.



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* Don't be scared to give us a shout!

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