

Taking time to learn about our past

We are collaborating with the Department of Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht and Limerick Education Centre on a series of articles about our archaeological legacy



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article, with links to all the websites and publications — all you need to do is click on a link to find out more.

The first four articles will be based on the themes in 'Time in Transition', starting with 'Pilgrimage' and moving onto 'Commemoration', 'Castles and Defences' and 'Working as an Archaeologist'.

The final article will include suggestions for interesting projects, monuments to visit, and links to the 'Time in Transition' handbook, which sets out a wide range of field projects to encourage heritage-based activities during school holidays.

Engaging with the articles, and using the accompanying resources, will be an interesting and enjoyable way to develop an



Top, Uto Hogerzeil's depiction of a typical castle siege; above, one of Ireland's most famous monuments, Drombeg Stone Circle (near Glandore, Co Cork); and, inset, archeologists at work. The pictures are examples of what students will discuss under the themes: Worship and Commemoration; Lifestyle and Living and Archaeology at Work.



understanding and appreciation of Ireland's built heritage. Archaeology is important and

the aim of these articles — and the online resources that they complement and enhance —

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is to introduce this fascinating subject to a new audience.

Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, Jimmy Deenihan, TD,

commended Limerick Education Centre and the *Irish Examiner* for their collaborative venture with his Department.

"My hope is that the *Irish Examiner* articles, together with 'Time in Transition', will not only foster an increased appreciation of our rich and diverse heritage, but also help to promote the preservation of that heritage through education and awareness," Mr Deenihan said.

THE preservation of our built heritage, through education and awareness, is the objective of a collaborative, schools heritage initiative between Limerick Education Centre, the National Monuments Service of the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, and the *Irish Examiner*.

Beginning in September, those collaborators will publish a series of monthly articles about our archaeological heritage in the *Irish Examiner* and on irishexaminer.com.

The series will complement the 'Time in Transition — It's about Time 2' programme available to transition-year students in post-primary schools.

The programme comprises a series of engaging lessons across three themes; 'worship and commemoration', 'lifestyle and living' and 'archaeology at work' — and the articles will build upon the programme's themes to highlight the many surprising links between contemporary cultural influences on today's student and the lives of people in the past.

They articles should also appeal to anyone who has a passing interest in archaeology.

The programme is available in digital format, making it more accessible and easier to navigate for teachers and students.

It is also supported by an interactive website, which provides updates, and access to video clips and 3D graphics.

Every month, there will be information about archaeological discoveries, new technologies, and recent publications.

The articles will also contain links to www.itsabouttime.ie, as well as other interesting websites that contain information and videos about archaeological excavations and discoveries, and the built heritage in your area.

The website, irishexaminer.com, will carry digital versions of each