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Welcome

Dear Friends of HSC,

It has been another busy month at HSC with our Summer Scheme and science workshops funded by the Royal Society of Chemistry.

Our work experience students have made a great contribution assisting us in delivering all activities and we are delighted to have them on board.

The patio area has been turned into a potted Botanic and Physic Garden, modelled on Sir Hans Sloane's Chelsea Physic Garden in London. It is a real sun trap so why not call in and sit for a while to enjoy any autumn sunshine - make yourself a tea or coffee?

For further information or to book any event:

- 1/ DM: Facebook or Instagram.
- 2/ Email: info@sirhanssloanecentre.co.uk
- 3/ Ring: 07896254153.
- 4/ Call in to the Centre.

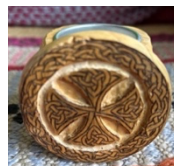
If you would like to be on our mailing list then please email info@sirhanssloanecentre.co.uk.



Gift Shop

The general theme is Science and Discovery & Local Crafts.

Stock includes cards, children's science kits, toys, and t-shirts, prints of



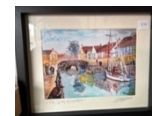
Killyleagh Castle, cushions, jewellery, soaps, glassware, wooden clocks & tea light holders, paintings and prints. Remember the Centre for your Birthday and

Christmas gifts and shop local!

A special thanks to our American friends at Hyssop Beauty Apothecary for their donation of goods. Glad to be using the term Apothecary in a modern



context and you can enjoy their handmade Castile soaps (rabbits, pigs and tractors).



Call in anytime to browse our complete range of cards and gifts. All profits from our gift shop go directly to our charity work.

Opening Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-12pm & 2-4pm.

Wednesday 10am-2pm

**Saturday
10am-12pm & (often) 2-4pm**

**The centre may be open outside these hours or on request.
Please tel 07896254153.**

*Opening hours are due to volunteer availability.
We welcome more volunteers to join our staff rota.*

September Events

Killyleagh Walking Tour: 14th & 21st Sept

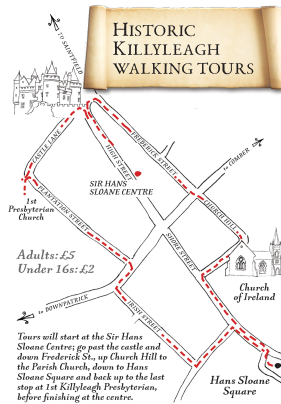
Sir Hans Sloane will be coming to the Centre at **2pm on Saturday 14th and 21st September** to give a guided tour of Killyleagh.

Hear about Killyleagh's famous residents and then return to the Sir Hans Sloane Centre for tea or coffee after the tour.

Cost = £10

Resident (proof of address) or Child = £5

General tickets can be booked on line at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/sir-hans-sloane-centre-37150444393> BUT concession tickets must be obtained at the Centre.



Felting Workshop: Dressed Figure: Mon 9th Sept 2024

Killyleagh's Wee Felt Fiddler and HSC Volunteer, Gillian is running this prospomed felt workshop on



Mon 9th Sept from 2-4pm.

Cost = £20.

Please DM or call in to the Centre to sign up.

Places are limited to 8 members per workshop.

Solo Art Exhibition- what a picture! by Wendy Cromie

Frid 13th - Mon 30th Sept

Selection of original paintings and prints depicting scenes in and around Killyleagh.

KILLYLEAGH - what a picture!
Solo Art Exhibition by Wendy Cromie
Where? The Hans Sloane Centre, High Street Killyleagh
When? Friday 13th September until end of September
for opening hours check the Centre's fb page/web site or tel 0789625 1133



Selection of original paintings and prints depicting scenes in and around the picturesque town of Killyleagh, on the shores of Strangford Lough.

Art Exhibition: Huguenot legacy in Ireland 30th Sept to 5th Oct 2024.

by Tommy Barr

We are looking forward to exhibiting Tommy's work from 30th Sept to 5th Oct 2024 - please put a note in your diary as you won't want to miss it!

Tommy Barr was born in Dromore and his studio is in Banbridge. Internationally recognized, he has exhibited extensively across Europe, the Middle East and beyond. Tommy considers this travel an essential part of his practice finding inspiration in the lives of those he meets and the places they inhabit. Works by Tommy are held in major public collections, including the national galleries of Jordan and Bulgaria, the French National Archive and the national museums of Ireland, Romania and Malta. He has presented illustrated talks on Irish art from the prehistoric to the contemporary. Tommy is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (UK) and an executive member of the International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences (NYC).

He is currently Chair of the Irish Section of the Huguenot Society of Great Britain and Ireland. "The land determines the people's existence and shapes an identity linking them to the landscape.

Tommy's works further

Lecture and exhibition

define our connection to our land, to our beliefs and to our identity". Clodagh Doyle, Curator at the National Museum of Ireland.

On the Huguenot legacy in Ireland



Venue Sir Hans Sloane Centre, 23 High Street Killyleagh.

Exhibition opens on the 30th September and runs until the 5th October. Admission is free to all.

Tommy will give an illustrated talk on the Huguenots, their times and legacy in Ireland, on the 3rd Oct at 7pm.

Tickets available at the Sir Hans Sloane Centre or online with Eventbrite.

Autumn 2024

Huguenot legacy in Ireland: 3rd Oct by Tommy Barr

When? 7pm on Thursday 3rd October

We are delighted to also announce that Tommy will give a talk at the Sir Hans Sloane Centre on the Huguenots, their times and legacy in Ireland.

Exhibiting his art internationally, Tommy speaks on the history and the legacies of the past that inspire it. Best described in his own words, Tommy's work is a "personalised form of abstraction to create an image which captures a meaning, a beauty or an instant in time of the subject. The abstraction means that the images are never definitively rendered, allowing the space for each viewer to interpret, based on their own experiences and hopefully also enjoy each piece in a personal way."

Cost? £10

How? Eventbrite (www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/sir-hans-sloane-centre-37150444393) or call into the centre?

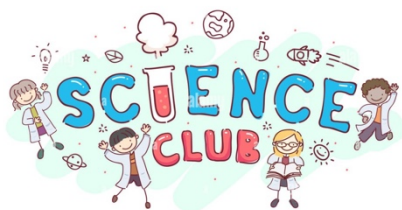
We would like to thank Tommy for donating all proceeds to HSC.

Science Club

We are planning to start a Science Club for Key Stage 2 & 3 pupils (approximately age 7-14) which will be lead by retired teachers and

student volunteers. This will be held on the **2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 2-4 pm**. The first few sessions will be on

14th and 28th September and 12th October. There will be a break for half term and the Club will recommence in November.



Activities will include making catamarans, ice cream and dinosaur nests as well as extracting DNA from fruit and learning about how medicines are made.

If interested in joining, please let us know via facebook, Instagram or email (see first page).

Periodic Table Wall



Each element in the periodic table will be 'adopted' by a pupil at a local primary school e.g Iron (Fe) for the Ferris family name. The children will paint stones with the elements and they will be displayed at HSC.

An interactive Periodic Table Talk will then be held at the Centre (see next section) and a few pupils from each primary school will be invited to show their "painted stone element" and talk a little bit about it.

STEM Talks

These talks are FREE and open to everyone and you will be most welcome to attend. However, they are aimed at slightly different audiences as stated below - just so you have a rough idea of the level to expect.



Talk 1: The Periodic Table

by Mrs Janice Adgey BSc (Chemistry teacher).

When? Frid 18th Oct from 3.30 - 4.30pm.

Ideal for Primary School children and their families or those with a general interest in Chemistry.



How? Email, DM on facebook or Instagram, or call into the Centre.

Talk 2: A History of Unmanned Aircraft from Belfast

by Paddy Mallon MSc, C.Eng.,
FRAeS (Senior Technical Fellow,
Spirit Aerosystems).



When? 7:30pm on Wednesday
9th October 2024

Ideal for GCSE & A level STEM students or those
with a general interest in aviation.

How? Email, DM on facebook or Instagram, or
call into the Centre.

Talk 3: Chemistry of Combustion for Fire Engineering

When? TBC (October 2024)
by Mr David Brown (Managing
Director of Flamma Fire
Protection Services & Envirograf
Ireland).



Ideal for GCSE & A level STEM students or those
with an interest in chemistry & engineering.

How? Email, DM on facebook or Instagram, or
call into the Centre.

Each talk will be followed by a Q&A session.

Talk by Bob Brown OBE (19th Nov)

**Jamaica and Strangford Lough....
What's Hans Sloane got to do with it?**

When? 7pm on Tuesday 19th November

Cost? £10

How? Eventbrite (www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/sir-hans-sloane-centre-37150444393) or call into the
centre?

We are delighted to have Bob come and give us
such a personal perspective on the flora and
fauna of Strangford Lough and its surrounds and

compare it to that in Jamaica . With much for
local residents and general public to relate to,
and ideas of what might have been formative in
the development of young Hans Sloane in the
1660s, from which he went on to become a
significant player in the scientific world of the
time and laudible in his collections that founded
the British Museum , Natural History Museum and
Kew Gardens.

Bob is our local marine biologist
and worked for almost fifty
years in research and
conservation, living in Jamaica
for 3yrs doing research and
lecturing at the University of the
West Indies. He managed the
National Trust's Strangford
Lough Wildlife Scheme for a decade before
becoming head of RSPB's work in NI.
Bob is a Trustee of Ulster Wildlife and gives
lectures on expedition ships in the Polar Regions
and the South Atlantic.

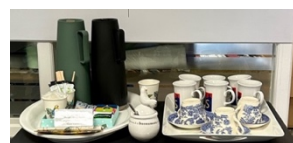


*We are extremely grateful to Bob for donating all
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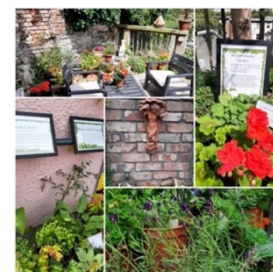
Ongoing Events

Patio & Refreshments

Our patio area is now
open, so please feel free
to use it - just walk through
the Centre to access! Why



not
bring
a



packed lunch and play
some board games with the children or they can
read a book from our Rabbit Hutch Library? If
you fancy a cup of tea or coffee, you are most
welcome to make it yourself - using our hot water
jugs, tea, coffee etc on the tray provided!

*We suggest a donation of £2 - £5, which can be left in
our Donation Box.*

Work Experience

We offer work experience to students during the Summer holidays (as well as



a weekly basis).

We currently have students helping in the garden, assisting with workshops, preparing their



own workshops, telling stories and holding rabbit sessions with Daisy! If interested please email

info@sirhanssloane

centre.co.uk with subject heading WEX.



Pre-Loved Book Sale

We still have a variety of paperback and hardback books for sale from 50p to £3.



Why not call down and buy from us for a fraction of the cost you will pay at an airport?!

Botanic & Physic Garden

Our newly opened Botanic and Physic Garden includes sections such as Culinary Herbs, Medieval Herbs, and Medicinal Plants.



The photos show some visitors getting a tour of the garden and volunteers replanting our coconut palm.



Plant of the Month

Coconut Palm (*cocos nucifera*)

Ever wondered how a coconut grows? Come visit our botanic garden and see one for yourself!



A single-stemmed palm, forming a tree up to 25 meters in the tropics, it is prized for its elegant form and edible seeds (coconuts!).

Guided Tours

Please email info@sirhanssloanecentre or DM Facebook / Instagram to arrange a guided tour of the Centre and / or short talk.



Look what we did in August!

Killinchy After School Club

We hosted 30 children at a Science and Ulster Scots Workshop.



They learned about Animal and plant cells (using sweets), Sloane's Botanical and



Physic Garden and the Ulster Linen Industry.



P6/7 Homework Club

Four sessions of the P6 -> P7 Homework Club were held. Smaller numbers meant that pupils could



get individual attention and assistance with all questions that challenged them. Jannah (Regent House School,



Newtownards) and Emily (Assumption Grammar School) assisted some of the sessions to gain valuable work experience.



Summer Scheme

Our Summer Scheme 2024 was a great success! We are so grateful to have received funding from the Ulster-Scots Agency.



Activities included Scottish stories, songs & rhymes. Weaving tartan; Scottish cooking, Burn's Night and a nature trip to the beach; Famous Scots, Ulster Scots language class & mural; Scottish dancing and collage; Coach Trip to



Killinchy Livingston Centre, the playground & ice-cream.

Dragonfly Studio Raffle (proceeds to HSC)

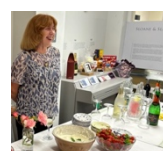


Amanda kindly organized a raffle for one of her limited edition prints!

The winning ticket was drawn on August 26th.

Exhibition: Inch Art Group

We were delighted to host another art exhibition by Inch Art Group. The exhibition



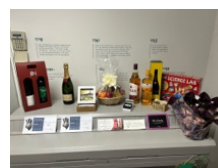
closed with a Meet The Artists Evening.

Attendees enjoyed strawberries and cream, and some wine in our

botanical garden.



vegetable shop, Café Velo, and Hair Candy, as well as Wine



(JN Wines, Central Bar), Whiskey, Gin, 2 Champagne, and Jewellery (Gabbies).

Elizabeth was delighted with the success of the event and proposes to have similar social events throughout the year. Eddie Rea added an interesting close with an audience participation raffle to acknowledge appreciation for the community asset the Centre has proved to be.



Daisy: Our Volunteer Rabbit



Daisy visited the Centre a number of times in August and was adored by all who saw her.

She was a little nervous at first but quickly got used to the added attention and is now a bit of a diva!

Rabbit Hutch Children's Library: Storytelling Sessions

Storytelling Sessions were held throughout August.

Our work experience students took turns to read to the children and also to look after Daisy!



Science Activities

We received a grant from the **Royal Society of Chemistry** which

enabled us to run FREE science workshops.



They included Edible Cells - learning about plant and animal



cells, Molecules & Fighting Disease - extracting DNA from strawberries, The



Science of Ice Cream and Environmentally Clean Water -making water filters.

Cinema Days



We ran two cinema days in August, showing **Leo** and **Peter Rabbit**.

Both films were enjoyed by young and old alike and I

would highly recommend them to all families! We hope to run some more cinema days during the Autumn.



Room Hire

Please get in touch if you would like to rent out one of our spaces:

1/ Meeting Room



Cost? £25 for first hour and £20/hr after that.

Accommodates? 12 people.

Includes? wifi, kitchen & toilet facilities, heating, projector, chairs, desks, staff in attendance.

2/ Office



Cost? For 1 day / week = £45 / month

Accommodates? 2 people

Includes? wifi, kitchen & toilet facilities, chairs & desks, secure lock.

3/ Training / Workshop Room



Cost? £25 for first hour and £20/hr after that.

Accommodates? 20 with desks or 30 seated.

Suitable for? Art/Craft classes, seminars, talks etc

Includes? wifi, kitchen & toilet facilities, heating, projector, chairs, desks, staff in attendance.

Volunteering at HSC

Can you spare a few hours/week to be in the Centre to allow visitors to see our displays and view our gift shop?

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2/ Call: 07896 254153

How to Donate

We are a charity, completely run by volunteers. Our funding does not come from Government, but from HSC Friends and visitors like you.

There are currently 3 ways to donate:

- (1) email info@sirhanssloanecentre.co.uk, to donate via bank transfer
- (2) put an envelope with card and donation into the Donation Box at reception.
- (3) by bank card using chip and pin

Thank you for your continued support.

Facebook & Instagram

All activities are advertised on our facebook and Instagram pages: www.facebook.com/sirhanssloanecentre
www.instagram.com/sloanecentre/?hl=en

Follow us to keep up to date with all of our events.

Websites

(1) Discover Northern Ireland

This is the official NI tourism website.



(2) Trip Advisor



Why not give us a review if you've been to the Centre or attended any events?

(3) Sir Hans Sloane Centre

Our website is currently being updated and improved but ALL activities are now advertised under the “**News**” section.

<https://sirhanssloanecentre.co.uk/>

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