Tynwald Day Traditions for the Manx National Day



KS2 Primary Lesson plan ideas



Tynwald Day

Manx folklore & traditions

English

- Write a narrative story based on the Bollan Bane Tune or the Manannan tribute.
- Write a set of instructions as to how to steal a tune from the fairies (when to get your bollan bane, where and when to find the fairies, how to learn the tune etc.)
- Write a diary entry about a boy/girl who was sent to pick the green rushes and walk to the top of South Barrule to give them to Manannan.

Use grid references to find South Barrule on a map. Try to find out the height of South Barrule

and compare to other hills on the island.

History

Find out more about Tynwald Day and the origins of the Manx Parliament. More information can be found here https://manxnationalheritage.im/

visit/about-the-isle-of-man/tynwald/

Create a leaflet about the Manx Parliament continuing old practices and traditions.

Art

Create a collage of what Manannan might look like.

Make a model of Tynwald Hill. Find some Bollan Bane and do a pencil sketch using shading to help create texture.

Make a clay sculpture of what Manannan might look like.

Music / Dance

Geography

Listen to the Bollan Bane tune and put together a short dance based on the tune.

If any students can read music or play musical instruments they could have a go at learning the tune. The music score can be found here:

https://www.culturevannin.im/media//media%20-%20Customs%20and%20traditions/ Tynwald%20Day/Bollan%20Bane%20melody%20-%20Full%20Score.pdf

