



Transition Year students from Larkin College, Dublin in Irish Aid Centre, 2008

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An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Bring the world into your classroom... by bringing your class into the Irish Aid Centre in O'Connell Street, Dublin.

Education programme for Transition Year and 5th and 6th Year Classes

- citizenship
- politics and society
- human geography
- environmental studies
- fairtrade
- gender equality
- sustainable development
- human rights
- interdependence
- contemporary issues

Second level classes are invited to visit the Irish Aid Centre to take part in workshops on Global Development and to participate in a guided tour of the interactive multi-media exhibition on Irish Aid.

An education programme has been specially designed to meet the needs and interest of Senior Cycle students and is particularly relevant for Transition Year and Leaving Cert Geography. On request we can also provide workshops for Junior Cycle 3rd Year CSPE classes. Since February 2008 more than 10,000 second-level students from schools all over Ireland have taken part.

Students will learn about the work of Irish Aid in fighting poverty and hunger in some of the poorest countries in the world, through:

- guided film footage and exhibition on the realities faced by poor rural communities in Africa who overcome the odds to feed their families,
- an interactive role play activity in which they become families in the village, trying to ensure food security through the year,
- a presentation on how Ireland, through Irish Aid, works with other governments and development organisations to bring about lasting improvements to some of the world's poorest communities.

Students will discuss how they, as citizens, could play their part in fighting world poverty through their actions and lifestyle choices.

Visits are free of charge and take place at 10.00 and 12.00 daily Monday to Friday.

Each visit takes one and a half hours and must be booked in advance.

A maximum of up to 40 students can be accommodated at a time. 2 accompanying adults – one of whom must be a teacher – are required for groups of over 18.

Follow up resource packs with information and lesson plans are provided for teachers and preparation packs can also be emailed in advance of visit on request. Further details are available on the Irish Aid website at: **www.irishaid.gov.ie**

Irish Aid is the Government's programme of assistance to developing countries. Irish Aid is working with governments and people in developing countries to build a better and safer world in which all children can enjoy a healthy and happy childhood and look forward to a bright future.

To book your visit send an email to irishaidcentre@dfa.ie with the following details:

- Name of school:
- Name of teacher:
- Class:
- Number of students:
- Number of accompanying adults:
- Preferred date and time:
- Mobile number of teacher:

Advance booking is required. To book email: irishaidcentre@dfa.ie or contact Ruth Powell at: 01 8546932

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Pupils at water pump, Malawi, 2007

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