

Boaldyn

A Manx tradition for the start of May

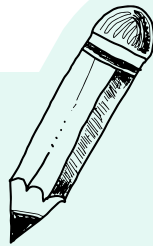


KS2 Primary Lesson plan ideas

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Manx traditions for 30 April / 1 May

English



Folklore

Link the Manx tradition into a unit about folktales. Children can have a go at writing their own Manx folktale.

Poetry

Create a Kenning about a witch or a fairy.

Drama

Role-play collecting primroses and discussing why they are collecting them.

Music

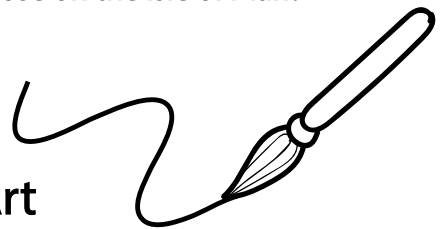
- Compose some Queen of Winter and Queen of Summer music.

History

Create a comic strip showing the story of the Laa Boaldyn celebrations.

Write a diary entry of a child who has taken part in the Laa Boaldyn celebrations.

Find other examples of May Day festivals that happen in the British Isles - are the traditions similar to those on the Isle of Man?



Art

- Design and create a Laa Boaldyn hat and costume.
- Sketch primroses and buttercups.
- Design your own witch or fairy.

Science

Collect some primroses and buttercups from your garden or school grounds. Dissect the flowers to look more carefully at the stem / stamen / petals.

Describe the lifecycle of a spring flower.