



KILLARNEY

SCHOOL OF ENGLISH



STUDY ENGLISH IN KILLARNEY

Small classes. Personal attention.
An unforgettable location.

Adult English Courses • Ages 18+ • Year-round

WELCOME TO KILLARNEY

Would you like to improve your English in a friendly, personal school away from the rush of a big city? Killarney School of English has been welcoming international students since 2000.

Our adult school is located beside Killarney National Park, allowing you to combine high-quality English classes with life in one of Ireland's most beautiful destinations. Small classes, experienced teachers and personal support give you plenty of opportunities to speak English, build confidence and make real progress.

After class, explore the National Park on foot or by bike, visit Ross Castle and Muckross House, or enjoy Killarney's cafés, restaurants, shops, traditional pubs and live music.

Whether you come for one week or several months, our aim is simple: to help you improve your English while enjoying an unforgettable experience in Ireland.

We look forward to welcoming you to Killarney.

Nicola & Feargal



The School



Killarney School of English was established in 2000. We are a small, family-run English language school with a friendly and personal approach to teaching.

Our adult English classes are held in the main school building on Muckcross Road, close to the entrance to Killarney National Park. We also offer separate programmes for children and teenagers, making KSOE a great choice for families who would like to study English together.

There is Wi-Fi throughout the school and a student common room where you can relax, have a coffee and meet students from other countries. Students also have access to a fridge and microwave, as well as an outdoor picnic area for lunch when the weather is good.



The Courses

GE1 15 hours of General English group classes per week

GE2 20, 25 or 30 hours of General English per week

Our General English courses develop the four main language skills - speaking, listening, reading and writing - together with grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation.

Particular emphasis is placed on spoken communication and listening, helping you become more confident using English in everyday situations.

Students who would like additional individual tuition can also take one-to-one lessons in the afternoon. These can focus on General English, Business English, conversation, pronunciation or another area that is particularly important to you.

Teachers

Our teachers are fully qualified English language professionals with experience teaching international students in Ireland and abroad.

They take part in ongoing professional development and training to ensure that lessons remain engaging, practical and effective.



The Staff, Testing & What's Included

The Staff

Our staff are experienced, highly-qualified, approachable and committed to helping students make the most of their time at Killarney School of English.

As a small school, we are able to offer a very personal service. Our teachers get to know their students and provide individual support and encouragement throughout their course.

Both directors hold master's degrees in TESOL and have extensive experience in English language teaching and school leadership. Our Office Manager is also a qualified teacher with more than 25 years of teaching experience in Ireland and abroad.

Testing & Levels

Before beginning your course, you will complete an online placement test. This allows us to assess your current level of English and place you in the class most suitable for you.

We offer six adult levels, from Beginner (Pre-A1) to Advanced (C1).

What's Included

- All course materials
- Free use of our self-study resources
- Graded readers and pronunciation materials
- Reading, writing, grammar and vocabulary practice
- Information pack with maps and local guides
- Bus transport to and from school within Killarney town, where applicable
- Wi-Fi throughout the school
- Certificate of attendance and achievement on course completion
- Free bicycle use on a first-come, first-served basis
- A weekly Pub evening / Social Programme

Course Curriculum

Many students come to Killarney because they want to become more confident speaking English.

Our lessons therefore have a strong communicative focus, with plenty of opportunities to speak and interact with both your teacher and classmates.

Activities may include conversation, pair and group work, discussions, listening activities and practical language tasks. Grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation are taught in context, helping you develop greater confidence, fluency and accuracy in everyday English.



Accommodation

Your comfort and welfare outside the classroom are very important to us, which is why we take great care when selecting accommodation for our students.

Staying with a local host gives you the opportunity to experience everyday life in Ireland and continue practising your English outside the classroom.

You will be welcomed as part of the household while respecting your host's normal routines and privacy.



Students normally have a single bedroom unless another arrangement has been requested.

Your bedroom will include a comfortable bed, suitable storage for your clothes and a desk or table where you can study. Fresh bed linen is provided regularly and you will have access to bathroom facilities in the home.



Meals

Evening meals in Ireland may be earlier than in some other countries and are normally served between approximately 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

Sharing meals with your host can be a great opportunity to practise conversational English and learn more about everyday life in Ireland.

Laundry

Laundry will either be included with the household laundry or you will have access to laundry facilities by arrangement with your host.

If you have any questions or difficulties with your accommodation, please speak to us. Our accommodation team is available to help throughout your stay.

Accommodation

Self Catering

Killarney offers a wide range of self-catering apartments, cottages and holiday homes for students who prefer to live more independently.

Accommodation is available in Killarney town as well as in the surrounding countryside. Options vary in size, location and price, and usually include kitchen, bathroom and living facilities.

Most self-catering accommodation is now advertised through online booking platforms such as Booking.com and Airbnb.

If you would like some help finding suitable accommodation, we can use our local knowledge to suggest areas and options worth considering. Having a car gives you access to a wider range of properties outside Killarney town centre, where accommodation can sometimes offer better value.

Some local host families may also make houses or apartments available for short-term rental while they are away during the summer. Where available, these can sometimes provide a good-value alternative to other self-catering options. B&B and Hotels Killarney offers an exceptionally wide range of hotels, guesthouses and B&Bs, with options to suit many different preferences and budgets.

Accommodation can become very busy during the summer, particularly in July and August, so we strongly recommend booking as early as possible. The school is happy to provide general advice on suitable locations, or you can book directly with the accommodation provider of your choice.





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