

## Pearls in the Classroom

How long can a freshwater pearl mussel live? That is one of the things you would learn in a Pearls in the Classroom session, as well as much much more about the freshwater pearl mussels. (In case you were wondering the answer is well over 100 years, some even make it over 200 years old!)





Pearls in the classroom is an educational program designed to teach kids about one of our most long-lived but critically endangered animals, the Freshwater Pearl Mussel, which has its last stronghold in England right here in West Cumbria.

An indoor session comprises a presentation, activities and a work booklet. Those able to get out to the river get to see the mussels underwater using a gopro camera and a bathyscope (the orange bucket thing in the photos!)



We found one!

Sessions are completely free, so if your school is interested please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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