

# Primary Science Network

## What is a primary science network?

A group of schools working together to access Science CPD. This will include sessions just for Science subject leads and incorporates science sessions for other staff too. Sessions are delivered as twilights and will run face to face in a local venue. The primary network sessions for this academic year are based around the Ofsted Research Review to maximise the development of science in the primary curriculum.



## Why subscribe to the network?

Network membership gives access to high quality, facilitator led, subject specific CPD. By collaborating with other schools, we increase the opportunity for sharing expertise and good practice. Science subject leaders have a network of colleagues, all of whom will be facing similar challenges and opportunities, and teachers can learn from each other. There are sometimes further opportunities for participating in projects, and schools that are already collaborating are better placed to apply for these (i.e. Ogden Trust and Enthuse partnerships).

## Session content and delivery

Sessions are written by STEM Learning and other professional bodies to support the findings of the Ofsted Research Review. We have a range of experienced and expert facilitators, accredited by STEM Learning. We collaborate with other organisations such as IOP, RSC and STEM Ambassador Hubs.

### Sessions for the 2022-2023 academic year:

There are 10 sessions in total:

- ✓ 6 subject leader sessions running once per half term
- ✓ 4 subject knowledge sessions across the academic year (open to any relevant staff).

The first session will include a needs analysis and plan the content for the academic year to ensure relevance for the network.

Examples of potential subject leader sessions:

- ✓ Assessment of subject knowledge moderation
- ✓ Assessment of working scientifically
- ✓ Leading change across science
- ✓ The Ofsted framework
- ✓ Role of the Subject Leader
- ✓ Context based science
- ✓ Health & Safety in primary science

Examples of potential subject knowledge sessions:

- ✓ Strengthening subject knowledge in Biology
- ✓ Strengthening subject knowledge in Chemistry
- ✓ Strengthening subject knowledge in Physics
- ✓ Scientific vocabulary
- ✓ Opportunities for science across the curriculum

**Cost** - Primary Package for 10 science sessions across the academic year.

**£450 per school\***

*\*fee for maintained schools, please ask for pricing for non-maintained/independent schools.  
Participants will require an active [STEM Learning](#) account prior to booking sessions.*

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