



Cheshire and Stockport Science Learning Partnership

## Primary Science Teacher Newsletter March 2018 (2)

I trust you are all safe and warm and you enjoyed the snow!

This week I have been lucky enough to meet some of our STEM ambassadors and hear how they can support primary science; whether that is coming in to school to talk to children about their STEM-related careers or running activities – there really is a myriad of ways these volunteers can help to inspire future generations. Find out more here: <https://www.stem.org.uk/stem-ambassadors>  
Have you thought about using a STEM ambassador to help with the research aspect of working scientifically? Once you have chosen your ambassador, give the children a little information about them and they can then come up with the questions they would like to ask. Even our youngest children can come up with questions, which you could then record.

I am sure you have lots of ideas for British Science Week, whether you are running yours from 9<sup>th</sup> March or at another time. Practical action for schools has some lovely posters to help inspire and illustrate challenges and other activities <https://practicalaction.org/posters>.

Why not get one of your displays entered into our competition and win your class some money to spend on some fabulous science resources – I'm an absolute fan of magic sand!

[https://www.stem.org.uk/news-and-views/news/classroom-displays-competition-get-creative-and-inspire-others?utm\\_source=Twitter&utm\\_medium=Social%20media&utm\\_campaign=Classroom%20display%20competition%3A%20get%20creative%20and%20inspire%20others](https://www.stem.org.uk/news-and-views/news/classroom-displays-competition-get-creative-and-inspire-others?utm_source=Twitter&utm_medium=Social%20media&utm_campaign=Classroom%20display%20competition%3A%20get%20creative%20and%20inspire%20others)

From a curriculum mapping perspective, the Royal Society of Chemistry have produced this useful summary which shows what pupils study from primary all the way through to A-level

<http://www.rsc.org/learn-chemistry/resource/res00002382/english-chemistry-curriculum-map>

And if you are studying the materials part of the curriculum why not have a go at this competition?

<http://www2.physics.ox.ac.uk/research/quantum-materials/group-activities/outreach/crystals-poster-competition>

Maybe it could be set as an Easter holiday challenge?

Early years' teachers I'm sure the following will resonate with you

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/outdoor-learning-early-years-boosted-bid-improve-attainment>

If you enjoy Explorify (and who doesn't?) you might also be interested in this online primary science news service: <https://www.reachoutreporter.com/>