



To whom it may concern,

Would your school be interested in a key role leading science-specific CPD across London?

As the Regional Development Leader for Primary for the Science Learning Network across London I am contacting you with details of an opportunity that has arisen to work with us on our Department for Education (DfE) funded programme. We are looking to recruit primary schools to lead science-specific CPD for other local primary schools becoming a SLP Primary Hub.

The National STEM Learning Network

The National STEM Learning Network is funded by the Department for Education (DfE) to provide high quality, subject-specific professional development to teachers, technicians and support staff in all schools and colleges across England. We enhance professional knowledge and skills so that educators can better inspire and excite students with intellectually stimulating and relevant STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) education.

Our work is delivered locally through a Network of around 50 Science Learning Partnerships - organisations which offer a diverse programme of research-led, subject specific CPD with proven impact on teacher development and student outcomes.

The Science Learning Network provides:

- ✓ bespoke support
- ✓ leadership training
- ✓ needs analysis
- ✓ coaching and mentoring
- ✓ an extensive programme of CPD reflecting school and government priorities

Independent evaluation shows that the support we provide has positive impact on young people's outcomes in STEM, including their engagement and understanding of where STEM subjects can lead, as well as improving teacher effectiveness, motivation and retention.

Why are we contacting you?

We are looking to develop SLP Primary Hubs in London to provide science professional development to teachers and support staff from local schools. This opportunity will allow the right organisations to take a leading role in improving support for local schools, expand their partnerships in the local area and raise their profile by being part of a national network with other delivery partners.

We are offering

Structured support and guidance from STEM Learning Ltd, in the form of regular termly CPD training for the science subject leader and one other teacher and mentoring of a Regional Development Leader - an individual with a great deal of experience providing consultancy services to schools across the region and nation - who will work closely with the lead organisation to ensure dynamic and effective support.



Expressions of Interest

Expression of interest should be submitted by formally responding to the six questions enclosed.

All expressions of interest should be submitted by email to Naomi Hiscock, Regional Development Leader for Primary (naomi@primary-science.co.uk), **before midday on Friday 13th July 2018.**

If you would like more information about this opportunity or would like to discuss it further please contact me on naomi@primary-science.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'N. Hiscock'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is set against a light blue rectangular background.

Naomi Hiscock, Regional Development Leader for Primary



Expression of Interest Questions

1. Explain why you have expressed interest in becoming a SLP Primary Hub (250 words max).
2. Explain how science teaching and learning in your school is in line with current good practice (500 words max).
3. Explain how science assessment procedures in your school are reliable, robust and in line with current good practice (300 words max).
4. List CPD activities in which the school has been engaged in the last year and the impact this has had on science teaching and learning (300 words max).
5. Give details of a specialist strength that your school will share with other local schools (300 words max).
6. Provide any additional information you feel would strengthen your application including demonstrating that you have the required capacity for this role (250 words max).