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Focus on... PSEC special issue

On June 6th 2019, I caught a train from my local station to head to Edinburgh to the PSEC Conference. 11 hours after leaving Leeds, I stepped back on the platform of my local station, both extremely disappointed and really motivated. I was disappointed because I had travelled for approximately 8 hours of the day, walked across a sunny Edinburgh and spent a mere hour and a half at what was obviously a very exciting, engaging and vibrant conference. I was disappointed to leave, not to have had more time to share the wealth of primary science experience that was there, and not to have had more of the good things that were on offer. However, my motivation was piqued from a personal perspective, as this snippet of conference attendance resulted in my doctoral work being shared by more people in a few days than since its completion.

The Primary Science Education Conference (PSEC), held every two years and run by the Primary Science Teaching Trust (PSTT), is a wonderful event, offering an inspirational and hugely worthwhile experience to hundreds of primary science practitioners.

This special issue of Primary Science allows those of you who couldn't make it, and those who missed sessions to attend an alternative one, to read about the work that teachers have been doing. Their conference proceedings are shared here and cover a range of topics and ideas – all easily accessible and do-able for you in the classroom. A lesson learned for all of us in this... get to the next conference for as long as possible!

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