

The Great Science Share for Schools (GSSfS)

Welcome to this special issue!

Great
Science
Share
for SCHOOLS

Grabbing anyone's attention to do something new is never easy, yet with this campaign, it is.

Read support has been gained by so many teachers and STEM organisations, and families too!

Each and every one of us has a vision and passion for children's science learning. Whether

Attainment or aspiration, there is always one shared mission in our minds:

That children experience the *best* we can offer.

Spotlighting primary science, raising awareness and value in schools is a core outcome.

Competition is out, and collaboration is in... this inclusive campaign seeks to encourage and

Inspire children's scientific curiosity, by securing time within our busy curriculum to **E**xperience asking, investigating and sharing children's scientific questions and enquiry with

New audiences. It's liberating to give children the voice so that they become the science

Communicators for our future. Involvement of so many STEM organisations allows

Each and every one of us to raise the profile of primary science. Live lessons, Twitter chats,

Scientist profiles, themed resources and a vibrant community offer the know-

How to support young people to develop confidence, agency and enthusiasm to talk

About their scientific questions and observe more closely the world around them.

Ready to be a GSSfS ambassador or sponsor? Join in and take on a role that best suits you.

Engage and improve the campaign with us, and let's make each year greater than the last!

**Dr. Lynne Bianchi, SEERIH
Director, The
University of
Manchester,
explains
the vision
behind the
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GSSfS is a timely campaign to engage whole school communities in raising the profile and engagement of young people in primary and secondary school science. With the status of school science lower than that of other core subjects, the campaign has been shown to lead to more time for science learning in school and at home, so that young people can ask, investigate and communicate *their own* scientific questions with new audiences. GSSfS stands apart by valuing children's scientific curiosity and communication – placing it front and centre of this fast-growing campaign.

Launched by The University of Manchester, as part of the European City of Science in 2016, the campaign has continued to grow in size, importance and overall impact at a national level. Extension beyond the UK is welcomed and we work to be open and inclusive to as many collaborations as possible.

The ambition now is to be attentive to improving **ENGAGEMENT** and **QUALITY** of experience for 3-14 year-olds. We welcome groups and organisations that can offer support, however small, in driving towards these two goals.

If you wish to support the campaign, contact us at greatscishare@manchester.ac.uk
We'd be happy to talk with you.