

The ASE 2021 Scotland conference

SSERC is delighted to be supporting the ASE 2021 Scotland conference.

The Association for Science Education (ASE) is the largest subject association in the UK. They are an active membership body that has been supporting all those involved in science education from pre-school to higher education for over 100 years; members include teachers, technicians, tutors and advisers. ASE is a Registered Charity with a Royal Charter, owned by members and independent of government. ASE seek to create a powerful voice for science education professionals in order to make a positive and influential difference to the teaching and learning of science throughout the UK and further afield.

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The ASE Scotland Conference is a festival of best practice in science education for everyone with an interest - teachers, technicians, lecturers, trainees, advisors, CPD suppliers and more.

The conference will take place on Saturday 13th March 2021 at the Edinburgh Academy. Discounts are available for ASE members.

There is a choice of workshops throughout the day which will enable you to tailor the programme for

your own professional development, whilst providing opportunities to network with likeminded people, and interact with presenters. In addition to supporting teaching in biology, chemistry and physics, the conference will explore primary science and careers in STEM. There will also be a full exhibition of support and resources for science education

The conference is planned to be a face to face event but depending on government guidelines at the time this may change to be an online event.



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for Science Education**

For more information and a link to the booking form go to:
<https://www.ase.org.uk/events/ase-scotland-conference-2021>

Wellcome Explorify

Looking for a free digital resource to get your pupils thinking about science? Explorify is a totally free resource, created by Wellcome, that does just that.

It has a huge library of short activities linked to the curriculum that you can use during registration time, or as starters and plenaries for science lessons, or just to get everyone thinking about something over the weekend. Every activity comes with enough background science information, thought provoking images and/or videos to help with teacher's confidence.

The use of open questions to pupils to wonder is what Explorify encourages. To ask questions, to listen to each other, to develop the use of scientific vocabulary and to build on ideas and strategies to work out what might be happening. There are many lesson planning templates for teachers to follow. But best if you look for yourself and try an activity like a zoom in zoom out and ask 'What could this be?' and 'Why do you think that?'

