



## STEM Ambassador Newsletter

The April newsletter was sent out just under two weeks ago but we have had quite a few requests in since then, so this is an update for you outlining the new opportunities. STEMNET will be sending out a UK-wide Ambassador newsletter next week, so look out for that with lots of interesting information for you.

If you can help with any of the schools/events below please let us know and we will put you in touch with the relevant teacher or organiser.

### Business Dynamics

Business Dynamics aims to bring business to life for young people. Volunteers from companies introduce pupils to the opportunities and challenges of business as well as improving their key skills in preparation for the world of work. In our area, the following schools are holding Business Awareness days and would like Ambassadors to help with the sessions. Ambassadors talk about their expertise and role within their company in relation to the topic, and then run a business exercise based on that topic, to help pupil participation and learning. Full information will be sent to you before the event.

Lenzie Academy - 9th June

Boclair Academy, Bearsden - 15th June

Kirkintilloch High - 20th or 21st June

### David Livingstone Memorial Primary, Blantyre - Week of 6th June

This school is holding a 'Health week' on the week of 6th June that will cover all aspects of Health and Wellbeing as set out in Curriculum for Excellence. The school hopes to have a range of visitors to classes from the world of work, and in particular, someone representing science or engineering for P5 - P7 classes.

### Langholm Academy, Dumfries and Galloway Friday 27th May, from 12-3.30pm

Having a Science Fair for S2 pupils to display their projects they have been working on. School is looking for an Ambassador to give a 45 minute talk/presentation to pupils, staff and parents as part of the science fair. The talk can be on any aspect of science, as long as it is suitable for S2 pupils and parents. Ambassadors may also be involved in judging pupils' projects.

### Girvan Academy Friday 3rd June

Literacy at Work day for 3rd year pupils to create awareness of the importance of good literacy skills in the outside world. The main purpose is to encourage pupils to stop looking at literacy as English and to see the importance and relevance of it in day to day working life. The Chamber of Commerce is planning to hold workshops throughout the morning (approx 9am-12.30pm) which will involve employers/organisations talking about what their role involves, the different types of literacy they need to use and the importance of effective communication. Each of the workshops is scheduled to last 25 minutes per group and there would be a total of 6 groups who would rotate round throughout the morning.

### Dalzeil high School, Motherwell 9th June

Each year the school runs a science and technology fayre to inspire and challenge pupils. 1st year pupils work in small groups to research and present an aspect of science and technology which they find interesting. The fayre runs for two days in June and is visited by all pupils, including the local primary schools, the public and invited guests. On one of the days, 9th June, the school would like Ambassadors to provide some interactive science and technology activities for the pupils to take part in during the event.

### K\*NEX help at Glasgow Science Festival Medieval Engineering Family Day 12th June

Historic Scotland, St Mungo Museum and the Glasgow Science Festival are joining forces for a day of shows, workshops, tours and hands-on activities at Glasgow Cathedral / St Mungo Museum. Visitors can learn how the stunning cathedral was

built using 13th Century technology, meet Medieval and modern stone masons and handle medieval tools. There will also be examples of the future of engineering and sustainable development. The GSF would like to run a KNEX workshop during this day also and is looking for Ambassadors to help with KNEX. It would require Ambassadors to be on hand and help visitors work through the worksheets (which are used at Ambassador induction training) and set Challenges to recreate parts of the Cathedral.

International Family Day in King George V Park, Carnwadric (G46)

Greater Pollok Integration Network, a charity in Kennishead, is holding an International Family Day in King George V Park on 30th June, 11am – 3pm. The aim of the day is to bring together the whole of the local community in a fun filled day. They are looking for new things to add to this event and would like Ambassadors to help and contribute an activity. There will be a large number of children attending and they would appreciate a hands-on activity, or science demonstration.

If you have any questions on the above events or schools or would like more information please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Thank you for all your continued support of the STEM Ambassador Programme

Regards

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