

2020 Dates to Remember

September

- September 14: Astro Pi Launch (<https://astro-pi.org/>)
- September 17: Climate Detectives launch (https://www.esa.int/Education/Climate_detectives)
- September: Registration open for ESB Science Blast (www.scienceblast.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN SEPTEMBER:

Write a short note of the main STEM activities planned for each month

October

- OCTOBER 12: Registration is open for DPSM CPD (www.primaryscience.ie)
- OCTOBER 4 - 10: Space Week (www.spaceweek.ie)
- October 10 - 25: EU Code Week (www.codeweek.eu)
- OCTOBER 12: SFI Discover Science & Maths Awards - Registration open
- October: National Scratch Competition (scratch.ics.ie)
- OCTOBER 10 - 18: Maths Week (www.mathsweek.ie/2020)
- October 11 - 17: Earth Science Week (www.earthsciweek.org)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN OCTOBER:

November

- NOVEMBER 8 - 15: Science Week (www.scienceweek.ie)
- November 2 - 27: I'm a Scientist, Get me out of here (www.imascientist.ie/teachers)
- November 23: DPSM/ESERO E-newsletter (www.primaryscience.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN NOVEMBER:

December

- December 7 - 13: Computer Science Education Week (www.csedweek.org)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN DECEMBER:

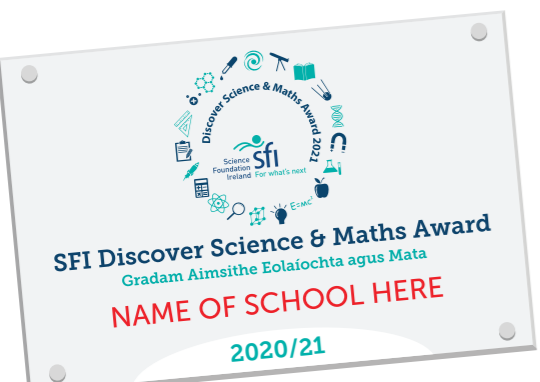
SFI Discover Science and Maths Awards

Apply for the Discover Science and Maths Award and get recognition for the STEM work being done in your school.

The Awards are a great way to highlight the fantastic work in STEM being done by teachers and pupils throughout the year, increase whole school collaboration, and raise the profile of STEM among parents and the wider community.



You'll find full details of how to apply on the Award section of www.primaryscience.ie



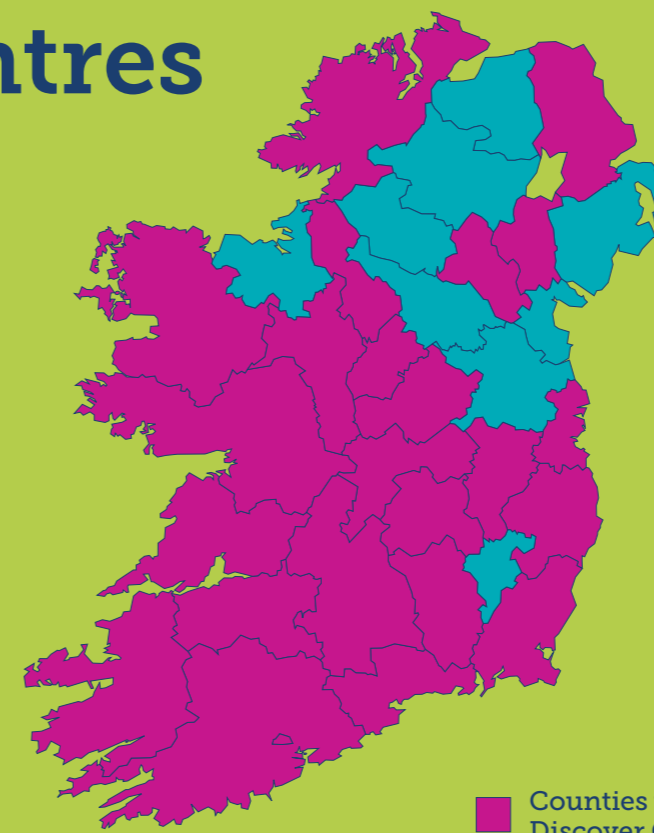
SFI Discover Centres

Science Foundation Ireland supports a network of

Over 60 Discover Centres

offering STEM workshops, school visits and outreach programmes to support STEM teaching and learning.

Members include national parks, interpretive centres, observatories, zoos, aquariums and gardens. You can find the full list of SFI Discover Centres on www.primaryscience.ie



Counties with a Discover Centre

The European Space Education Resource Office (ESERO) Ireland is run by Science Foundation Ireland in partnership with the European Space Agency.

Access Space themed resources, activities, games, images, videos and projects for your classroom at www.esero.ie



DPSM/ESERO CPD WORKSHOPS

Making a difference in primary schools!

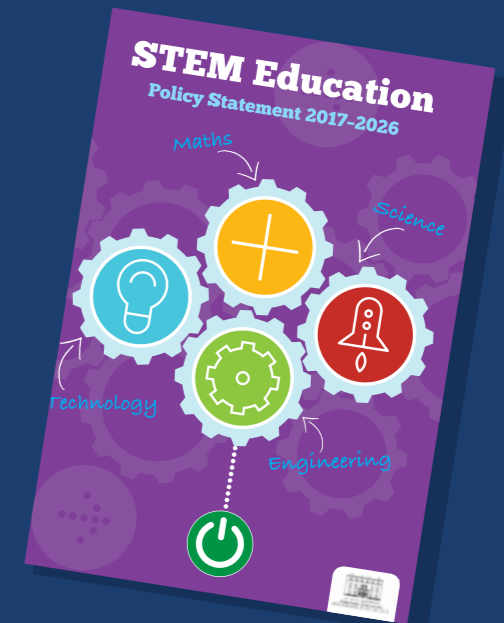
Schools can register now through www.primaryscience.ie for whole staff CPD workshops to support inquiry-based teaching and learning. Learn how to engage your pupils through hands-on investigations and make science more exciting. CPD workshops can be carried out online.



STEM Education

DPSM supports your school in the implementation of the Government's STEM Education Policy Statement.

Find out more at
www.primaryscience.ie
primaryscience@sfi.ie
[@DPSM_Activities](https://twitter.com/DPSM_Activities)
[@DPSMprogramme](https://twitter.com/DPSMprogramme)



"This is an excellent opportunity to explore DPSM/ESERO materials and STEM planning in a practical environment. Completing the investigations as a staff was enjoyable and was the best part of the workshops"

"We got lots of practical ideas and ready to use plans. This CPD is conscious of teachers' limited classroom time and resources. It is very attainable and we also applied for the Awards"

"The STEM activities are very practical. The facilitator took the fear out of doing them in the classroom - the approach is very hands-on with brilliant ideas. I thoroughly enjoyed this CPD."

"This is a very supportive programme. It is very manageable for a school to get involved. The workshops were engaging and knowledgeable and provided great ideas to support on our journey of applying for the award!"

Based on evaluation feedback from schools

2021 Dates to Remember

January

- January 6 - 8: BT Young Scientist Exhibition (www.btyoungscientist.com)
- January 25: DPSM/ESERO E-newsletter (www.primaryscience.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN JANUARY:

February

- February 9: Safer Internet Day (www.saferinternetday.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN FEBRUARY:

March

- FEB 27 - MARCH 5: Engineers Week (www.engineersweek.ie)
- March: ESB Science Blast - RDS Dublin (www.scienceblast.ie)
- MARCH 26: SFI Discover Science & Maths Awards - Deadline for registration
- March 26 - 27: Irish Science Teachers' Association conference (www.ista.ie)
- March 29: DPSM/ESERO E-newsletter (www.primaryscience.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN MARCH:

April

- APRIL 17 - 23: Tech Week (www.techweek.ie)
- April: I'm an Engineer, Get me out of here (www.imanengineer.ie)
- APRIL 30: SFI Discover Science & Maths Awards - deadline for submission

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN APRIL:

May

- May: Biodiversity Week (www.biodiversityweek.ie)
- May: ESB Science Blast - Limerick MIC (www.scienceblast.ie)
- May 31: DPSM/ESERO E-newsletter (www.primaryscience.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN MAY:

Register for ESERO Discover Climate and Space Online Summer Course (www.esero.ie)

June

- June: ESB Science Blast - Belfast (www.scienceblast.ie)

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN JUNE:

Register for SEAI/DPSM Summer Courses (www.seai.ie)

July/August

- SEAI/DPSM Summer Courses (www.seai.ie)
- Climate Science Champions - in partnership with SEAI
- Space Science - In partnership with BCO
- Online course - Discover Space & Climate
- Online course - Dark Skies & Biodiversity

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IN JULY/AUGUST:

ESERO Discover Climate and Space Online Summer Course (www.esero.ie)

Scan me on your phone or tablet for information about the DPSM awards!

