



BEYOND WONDER

Schools Programme

2ND - 22ND FEBRUARY 2026

Dundee Science Centre **celebrates 25 years of wonder** - opening minds, sparking imagination, and bringing science to life for all. As we mark this milestone, we're looking ahead to the next 25 years: **Beyond Wonder**.

Celebrating 25 years of impact and building for the next 25 and beyond!



www.dundeesciencecentre.org.uk/festival

Dundee Science Festival 2026

Dundee Science Festival 2026 invites you to celebrate 25 years of Dundee Science Centre - marking 25 years of wonder. During this time, both the centre and Dundee Science Festival have opened minds, sparked imagination, and brought science to life for people of all ages and backgrounds

To celebrate this milestone, we're looking to the next 25 years - **Beyond Wonder**.

We can't wait to welcome you to Dundee Science Festival 2026 – celebrating 25 years of impact and building for the next 25 and beyond!



We are excited to showcase a fantastic array of exhibitors this year. Whether it's uncovering the health benefits behind video games, understanding how we defend historic places under attack from climate change, or exploring the connections between science and music, there are loads of opportunities for exploration and enjoyment with a mix of in-centre, digital, and community events.

School visits

There are multiple dates available for schools to visit Dundee Science Festival, with both morning and afternoon sessions on offer on the following days:

- Monday 2nd February
- Thursday 5th February
- Friday 6th February
- Monday 9th February
- Tuesday 10th February
- Thursday 19th February
- Friday 20th February

For schools located in Dundee & Angus, we have additional slots as part of STEM Expo:

- Tuesday 3rd February
- Wednesday 4th February

AM slots are reserved for Primary/PM slots for secondary

Scan the QR code to book your school visit:



Schools - Funding

100% Completely FREE School Visits for Dundee Science Festival!

We are offering schools a number of **funded offers** to support schools to visit during Dundee Science Festival – which can be combined for **100% FREE visits** (including admission & transport).

100% Transport Funding



100% transport funding for visits during the festival, contracted or public transport

ELIGIBILITY: Primary or secondary school in decile 1-6 area (SIMD), zone 3-6 (UR6)



100% Admission Funding

100% admission funding for visits during the festival

ELIGIBILITY:

Dundee primary school or council-run nursery in a decile 1-6 area (SIMD)

**Edina-funded visit, offer includes an outreach workshop at school*

ANY primary or secondary school - P5-P7 students or S1-S2 students

**Learning Lab Powering the Future, offer includes entry to programme*

ANY Dundee or Angus secondary school - STEM Expo ONLY

**STEM Expo, afternoon visits on 3rd & 4th February*

Dundee, Angus, and Northern Fife Primary Schools - P1-P7

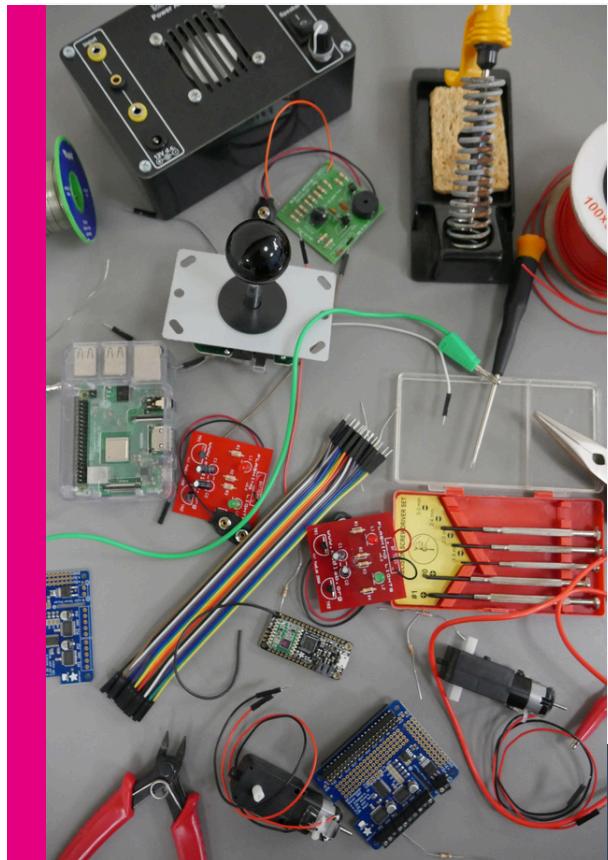
**Scottish Water Water Cycle programme, includes outreach workshop at school - LIMITED SPACES REMAIN*

If you have any questions, or wish to confirm your school's eligibility, please contact us at:
learning@dundesciencecentre.org.uk or phone 01382 868610

Further information regarding this funding can also be found later in this programme

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INFO**

Schools - In Centre



FACT OR FICTION: AI Edition

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Brilliant Brains

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2, 5, 6 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

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Engagement Stand with Science Futures

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Thursday 5 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

Mathematical Wonder

Explore the wonder of curious phenomenon through several interactive Mathematical activities, with the Mathematics department from the University of Dundee. Have a go at solving problems mathematically using soap bubbles and drinks cans. You can even make your own Kaleidoscope using polarised films!

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5 & 6 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

Electromagnetism - Presented by TechFest, supported by CNOOC International

Understanding the properties of magnets is central to the energy industry and to many aspects of our daily lives. In this hands-on investigative workshop, working in small teams, visitors discover the properties and uses of magnets and magnetism and are introduced to the amazing phenomenon of electromagnetism.

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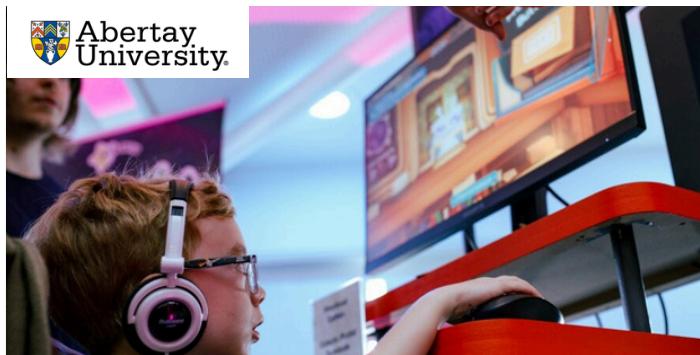
A Moment of Serenity © Luke Hogan-Smith

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Scottish Nature Photography Awards 2024 Winners' Screen Presentation

This special screening of the 2024 winners features the winning images (1st to 3rd) from all the Scottish Nature Photographer of the Year competition categories, along with the junior and student awards and the Scottish Nature Video Award winning and shortlisted films.

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T-Wrecks Cycling Video Game

Fast-paced cycling game where players power a dinosaur by pedalling a real bike. Set in a colourful city, it's a lane-changing runner with hazards, coins, and boss battles. Created as part of research into cycling exergames, it blends physical activity with fun, showing how bike-based games can make exercise exciting, accessible, and motivating.

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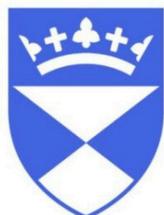
Water Resilient Dundee - Working with communities to enhance nature and reduce flooding

Join us for an interactive Raingarden activity. Learn how water flows in our communities and how we are working with nature to make our city better for people and planet. Project partners: Abertay University, Scottish Water and Dundee City Council.



Monday 9 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

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Tuesday 10 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

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Scottish
Water
Trusted to serve Scotland

19 & 20 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

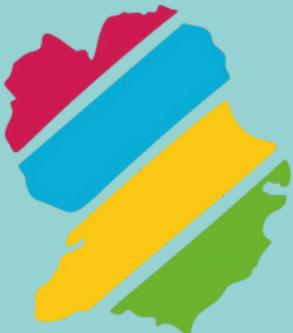
Scottish Water - From Source to Sea

Discover the world of water in Dundee. Carry out your own lab tests on water samples, find out how much water you use through daily tasks, what happens to waste water and test your flushing knowledge. Celebrate Scotland's water with Scottish Water.

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Schools - STEM EXPO



Dundee and Angus Regional
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Dundee Science Centre & Dundee and Angus Regional STEM Partnership are excited to announce STEM Expo 2026.

The Dundee and Angus Regional STEM Partnership aims to create a regional STEM pathway, providing primary, secondary, further education, higher education, and industry opportunities to develop the knowledge, understanding, and skills for STEM careers.

STEM Expo 2026 will take place during Dundee Science Festival, between Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th February at Dundee Science Centre - 14 Greenmarket, Dundee, DD1 4QB.

Primary & secondary schools from Dundee & Angus are invited to attend the STEM Expo on these dates, and participate in a range of STEM activities designed to build their confidence and awareness around future careers in STEM.

Please see the funding page of this programme for further details on the support available.

We will be running the following sessions;

Primary

- Tuesday 3rd February - 9:30am-11:30am/10am-12pm
- Wednesday 4th February - 9:30am-11:30am/10am-12pm

Secondary

- Tuesday 3rd February - 12pm-2pm/12:30pm-2:30pm
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Spaces are limited - secure your classes place today!



Please head to our website via the QR code to book.

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Schools - STEM Expo



Civil Engineers: Engineering our World

Take part in hands-on STEM activities from the University of Dundee's Civil Engineering department, exploring how engineers provide clean water and develop renewable energy like offshore wind power.



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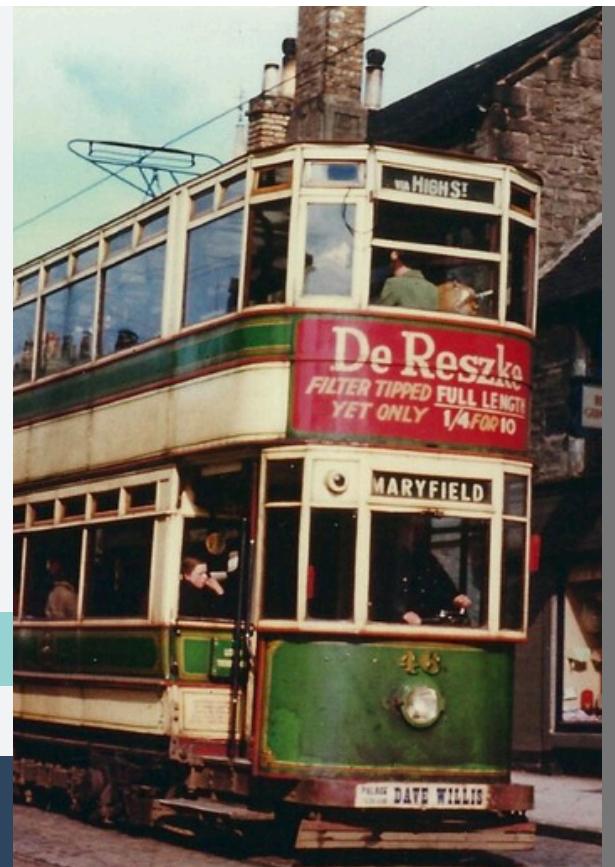
Wonderful Trams!

It's been 70 years since trams left the streets of Dundee. We'll look at trams through historic objects and images, and wonder whether they could ever return...



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Abertay University



3 & 4 February 2026, AM & PM Sessions

Defending Scotland's Heritage

How do we defend historic places under attack from modern threats like climate change? Learn how we can protect them for future generations through science and conservation work.

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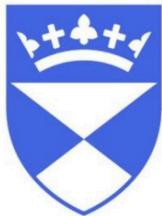
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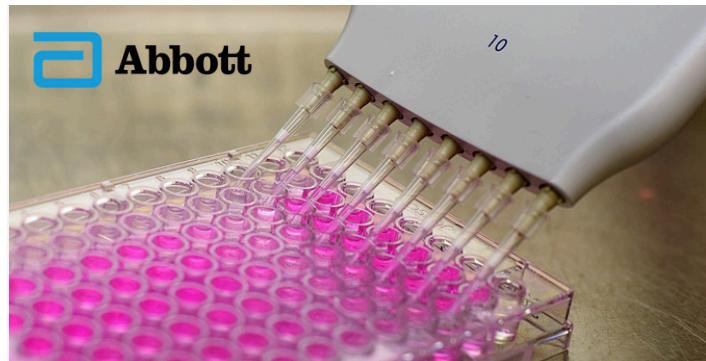
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Fastest Pipette in the West (of Dundee)

Think you've got what it takes to be the fastest pipette in Dundee? Grab a real lab pipette and race against the clock to fill a 96-well plate as quickly and accurately as possible! Learn how scientists use precision and speed in real diagnostic tests! For ages 6+!

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Tuesday 3 February 2026, PM Session

Gone Smishing Video Game

This educational game by Abertay University and Konglomerate Games teaches young people about mobile phone scams. Gone Smishing raises awareness of phishing and 'smishing'- deceptive emails and texts that trick people into giving away passwords or financial details.

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Camouflage Testing Video Game

Shoot aliens for science! This prototype uses animal-style camouflage to study how humans detect deceptive visual patterns. What we learn will help us design better video games. The project also supports wider access to competitive gaming for blind and partially sighted players, with backing from the Royal National Institute of Blind People.

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Rennie Room Decorator

Rennie Room Decorator (RRD) is a 3D room-design game based on the V&A's Oak Room, where players decorate the space according to client briefs inspired by real historical figures. It balances creative freedom with authentic Scottish heritage design, showcasing the Oak Room's artistry.

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CyberRunner

This 2D puzzle game teaches cyber-resilience and online safety. Players act as agents inside a mainframe, defending systems from threats like hacking and phishing through puzzles, tower-defence mini-games, and quizzes designed for younger audiences. Developed with the ACOP network, the game promotes accessible cybersecurity awareness and resilience.

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De-Pict Dunkeld

De-Pict Dunkeld lets players explore 1,300 years of the town's history through dioramas across different eras. By moving through time and interacting with points of interest, players learn historical facts through themed mini-games—like reassembling a mirror mould to discover Pictish metalworking. The game makes learning Dunkeld's past fun and rewarding.

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Kitsune: The Lost Way

Kitsune: The Lost Way is a VR action adventure inspired by Japanese folklore and samurai imagery, where players face enemies and deities. The game was co-developed with BRAG Enterprises, a Fife-based charity that supports NEET young people into positive pathways.

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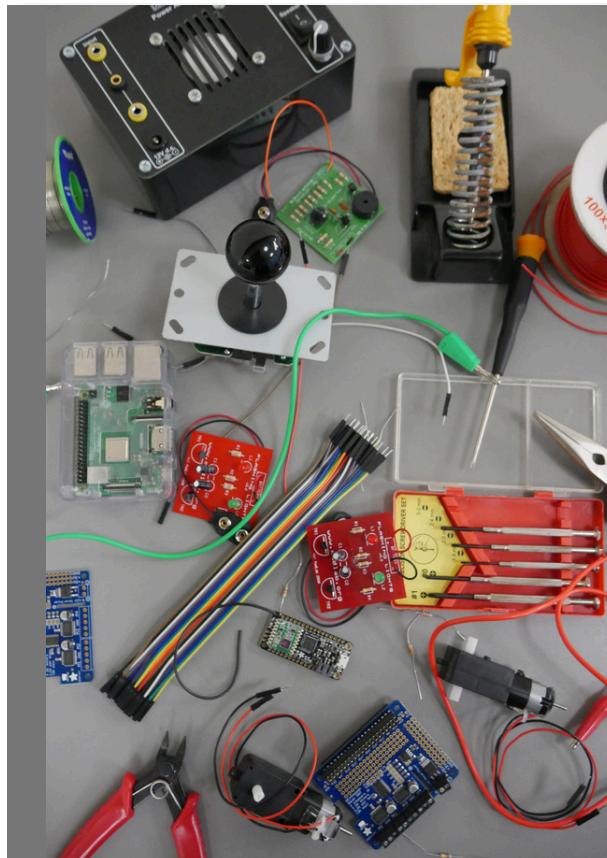


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Schools - Digital



Scottish Water

Suitable
for P1-
P7



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Generation H₂O, from Scottish Water

Introducing Generation H₂O, Scottish Water's new curriculum aligned educational resource for Scotland's young people. Water is one of Scotland's most valuable and precious resources, and we want to work together to protect it for the future.

These fully resourced, interactive lessons bring the water cycle to life while supporting the Curriculum for Excellence Experiences and Outcomes across Sciences, Social Studies, Technologies, and Health and Wellbeing.

They're also a great way to contribute towards the Water topic in your Eco Schools Award. Our free resources include Teachers' Guide, Interactive Lesson Presentations, Homework Tasks and more!

Visit the Festival website to learn more and access the resources!

My World of Work Live! - Virtual Games Design (3 series)

Want to bring careers to life in your classroom? My World of Work Live helps young people learn about careers through interactive sessions using exciting technology.

Virtual Games Design Workshops

Delivered by a My World of Work Live adviser, pupils will have the opportunity to create their very own mini arcade game. Upon completion of this they can then build on this learning by doing the second and third instalments. This is a fantastic way to introduce young people to block coding and introducing My WOW Live to schools.

Visit the Dundee Science Centre website to learn more, or email Live@SDS.co.uk to book your place!



Suitable
for P5 -
S6!

Skills
Development
Scotland

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Schools - Digital



Learning Lab - *Powering the Future*



Learning Lab is a **FREE** science education programme for **P5–P7** and **S1–S2 students** in Dundee, Angus, Fife, and Perth & Kinross. Aligned with CfE experiences and outcomes, Learning Lab supports teachers to deliver amazing science in the classroom!

The programme includes:

- Lesson plans, worksheets, and original video content.
- Live scientist interactions
- Professional learning sessions
- Family learning activities
- A **FREE** VISIT to Dundee Science Centre that can be used to visit Dundee Science Festival!

Scan the QR code to learn more!



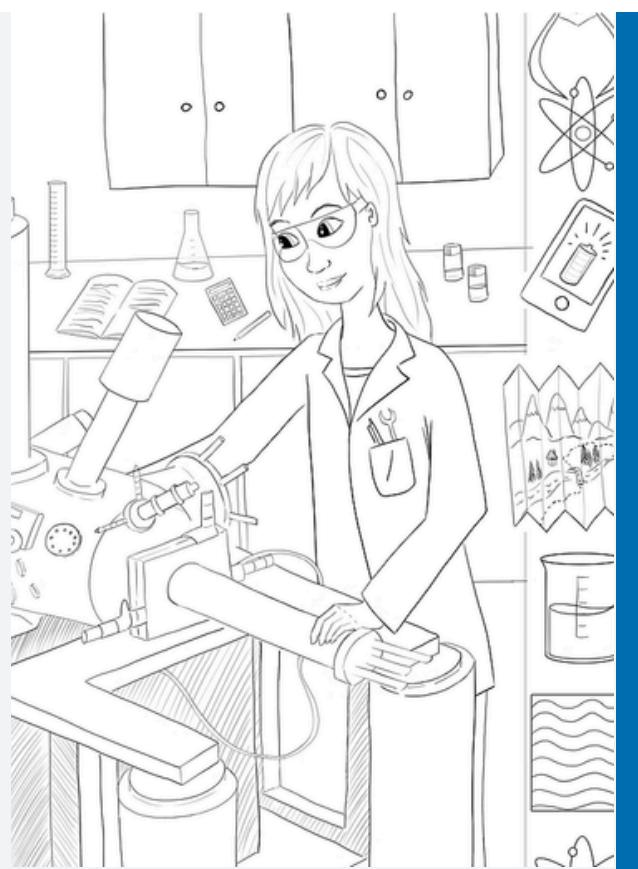
Science4all - Science Colouring Pages

Science4All inspires young minds in STEM through relatable colouring pages that show science is for everyone. The site features 10 pages, each highlighting a chemist connected to the University of St Andrews, with illustrations based on their lives and research.

SCIENCE4ALL



Scan the QR code to learn more and access the colouring pages!



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Schools - Outreach



Can't visit us? We'll bring the science to you!

If a trip to Dundee Science Centre isn't possible, we've got you covered – our team can bring the excitement of science straight to your school!

We offer a dynamic range of outreach programmes designed to spark curiosity, ignite creativity, and enhance learning across the STEM curriculum. Browse our current outreach themes, session details, and funding information.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO

Eligibility Criteria & Funding Support

Edina funded outreach workshop + visit to Dundee Science Centre

- Age: Early Years, P1-P7
- Geographical: Dundee
- SIMD: Deciles 1 to 6
- UR6: N/A
- Cost: **FULLY FUNDED** - free workshop and visit to centre. Schools can also apply for transport funding to assist with any associated travel costs to Dundee Science Centre

Please note: Schools will need to book and receive both their outreach sessions & school visit within the same academic year to be eligible for this offer, with only children who have received both, eligible for full funding.

Outreach offers include our regular workshops (Healthy Body Bits, Our World From Space, Engineering for the Future) - see below for more details.

Scottish Water

- Geographical: Dundee, Angus, and northern Fife
- SIMD: NONE
- UR6: NONE
- Cost: **FULLY FUNDED**, including a **FREE** visit to Dundee Science Centre (schools can also apply for transport funding to assist with any associated travel costs to Dundee Science Centre - please contact us for more details).

Our Regular Workshops (HHB, OWFS, EFTF)

- Geographical: Dundee, Angus, Fife, Perth & Kinross (within 25 miles of DSC)
- SIMD: Decile 1-6
- URD: Zones 3-6
- Cost: **FULLY FUNDED** (we require a minimum booking of 4 workshops or 100 children) for the criteria above, however, may be able to offer fully funded outreach for schools outside this criteria – please contact us for more details.

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Schools - Outreach



Water Cycle Workshop

Dive into the fascinating world of water with this hands-on workshop, where your pupils will make a mini water cycle and investigate the processes involved in having clean, safe water in our taps.

Brought to you by Scottish Water's Generation H₂O Programme!

CfE links:

- SCN 1-05a - Processes of the Planet
- SCN 2-05a - Processes of the Planet
- SCN 2-18a - Chemical Changes

23 - 27 Feb 2026 for Festival, other dates available

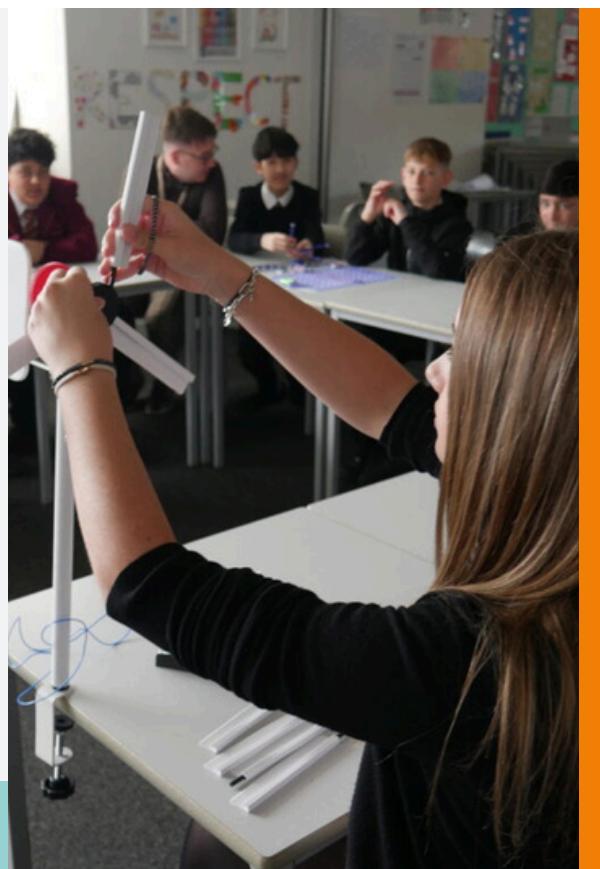
Engineering for the Future

Explore challenges within the Scottish engineering sector. Includes themes of sustainability, electrical engineering, construction, and renewable energy & storage.

CfE Links:

- SCN 1-08a - Forces
- SCN 1-20a – Topical Science
- SCN 2-04a, SCN 2-04b – Planet Earth
- SCN 2-09a, SCN 2-10a – Electricity

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Healthy Body Bits

With the help of Stuffle – a giant ragdoll with removable organs – learners will explore our major organs, what they do, and how to keep them healthy.

CfE Links:

- HWB 0-47b - Body Systems and Cells
- SCN 1-12a - Body Systems and Cells
- SCN 2-12a, SCN 2-12b - Body Systems and Cells

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Our World from Space

Discover how satellite technology is guiding the fight against the climate crisis in our Our World from Space workshops.

This project is being delivered as part of a national campaign led by the Association of Science and Discovery Centres with funding from the UK Space Agency and the National Environmental Research Council.

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Dundee Science Festival is brought to you by Dundee Science Centre, an independent charity. It would not be possible without the support of our funders, as well as the commitment and enthusiasm of the many organisations who get involved each year.



Below is an overview of our key funders, for full information on all our partners please visit www.dundeesciencecentre.org.uk



***Please note – all dates and timings were correct at the time of print, please see the online event listing for up-to-date information.**

Admission tickets are required for school visits to the Dundee Science Centre, alongside events taking place inside.

Please see our admission costs for schools below:

Student	£5.50
Accompanying adult	Free of charge

Scan the QR code to find out more and book your visit:



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