



Science Grant Scheme

Happy New Year! Hope you all enjoyed the festive break.

Since September 2013, 20 schools have received a grant from the Edina Trust, which is over a third of the eligible schools in North Ayrshire. This school year, grants have covered science visits, for example to the Glasgow Science Centre, science equipment, such as renewable energy kits, and gardening resources, including children's gardening tools.

Please remember that the 2013/14 grant scheme is open to ALL local authority primary schools, special schools and stand-alone nurseries.

The sooner you apply, the sooner you can start to make a real difference to the enjoyment of science in your school

The application form is simple and the scheme is **non-competitive**.

Points to note:

- **No retrospective** applications can be accepted.
- The Trust requires a **detailed** breakdown of costs, a brief description and project date in order to process the application
- Schools can apply for funding towards: science equipment, science visits, improving school grounds for science, gardening clubs (limited to £350) and science subscriptions.

For ideas and assistance with application forms or science projects, please contact the Trust's consultant located in North Ayrshire, Ian Maclean, at bigianmaclean@yahoo.co.uk Ian will be in touch with the schools that have yet to apply this month.

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Website

Please check out the Edina Trust website for lots of ideas on what to spend your grant money on. We have case study examples from primary schools in our Scottish regions and in other areas for inspiration!

The website also includes a list of science visits/workshop providers in your area, science and gardening resources available online, and educational suppliers.

www.edinatrust.org.uk

Announcement

I am sad to announce that I am leaving the Edina Trust at the end of the month. Having worked for the Trust for over four years, I have been inspired by the work of teachers and hope to pursue a career in primary teaching. It has been a pleasure working with you all!

I'll be handing over to a new administrator called Samantha Moore. Samantha's email will be: samantha.moore@edinatrust.org.uk Please note that any applications sent to my email address will be forwarded on to Samantha, so do not worry about them getting lost in the transfer process.

