

# Welcome to the National STEM Centre eNewsletter

## 1. National STEM Centre news

### STEM Survey on the use of Social Media



The National STEM Centre is currently running a survey investigating teachers' use of Social Media. For your chance to win one of three £50 M&S vouchers please visit the website and complete the survey. The survey should only take a few moments to complete and will be of great benefit to us to know how to better inform you of our news and resources. [Read more](#)

### STEM badges now available to order



The National STEM Centre has produced a large number of high-quality enamelled clutch badges that are available to order through our website. The badges could be a great way to reward and recognise participants of STEM activities in your school. Discounts are available for bulk orders.

[Read more](#)

### Sign up for the ESERO-UK eNewsletter



ESERO-UK is now producing a termly eNewsletter that will keep you informed of all the UK Space Education Office's news and resources. The newsletter will feature details of CPD courses, new space education resources, project news and other useful information to help you use space as a context to enhance and support your STEM teaching and learning. [Visit the website to join the mailing list](#)

## 2. New collections added to the eLibrary

### Nuffield Physics

[Nuffield Physics](#) was planned as a five-year programme up to the age of 16. The project team produced a Teachers' Guide, Guide to Experiments and a Question book for each year of the course.

### STEM Fairs

This [collection of resources](#) provided by the British Science Association, with support from Intel Education, includes practical help for teachers to get the most out of a STEM Fair - either when visiting a Fair with students, or running one in your own school or college.

### Looking Ahead: STEM Careers Videos

[Video case studies](#) looking at different STEM-related careers, covering what the job entails, the skills and training needed and the possible progression paths. Each one is also accompanied by teachers' notes.

### 3. Other news in brief

#### **Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – Gatsby Conference report**

A summary of the conference organised by the Gatsby Charitable Foundation and the Edge Foundation which brought together policy-makers and stakeholders to explore how best to meet the current and future demand for STEM skills. [Read more](#)

#### **BIS 'Attitudes to Science 2011' survey reveals science viewed positively by 14-16 year olds**

A small-scale survey of 500 14-16 year olds, completed as part of the 'Public Attitudes to Science 2011' work being carried out by BIS, has unearthed some very interesting findings relating to students' perceptions of science and subsequent career paths. [Read more](#)

#### **Design and technology classes 'out of date' claims Ofsted**

An Ofsted report on the teaching of design and technology has claimed that too many subject teachers are failing to keep pace with global technological advances and making too little use of modern technology. [Read more](#)

#### **New 'Hidden Science Map' from Future Morph**

Future Morph is asking STEM professionals in all range of STEM careers to contribute to their interactive UK STEM careers map which aims to demonstrate the wide variety of potential STEM careers open to students. [Read more](#)

#### [More regularly updated news on the National STEM Centre website](#)

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