

Royal Society of Chemistry Society of Chemical Industry

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Dear Headteacher

Chemistry Week November 9th – 13th

On behalf of the RSC Mid Scotland section and the SCI Scotland section, I am writing to ask if your school would like to participate in an event we are running for primary schools in the Trossachs area. We have engaged a presenter to deliver an event based on the theme of the RSC Chemistry Week for this year – Food, with the target audience being P5, P6 and P7 pupils.

This will take place at McLaren High School on Wednesday 11th of November and at Balfron High School on Thursday 12th November. There will be a morning and afternoon session of approx one hour duration. The provisional times for the sessions are 1000 -1100 and 1330 – 1430. I must stress that there is no charge for this event. Below is a short synopsis of the show.

Where transport costs are a problem, the RSC is willing, if required, to provide a grant of 50% towards the transport costs of your school to attend the event.

If you would like your pupils to attend the event, please complete the attached booking form and return it to me as soon as possible.

Journey to the Centre of Your Lunch!

We've seen endless t.v. cookery shows telling us how to prepare food... but what happens next? Join our intrepid explorers as they take a voyage of discovery down the Alimentary Canal to find out what happens to your food after you have consumed it... The thrills and spills (and smells) it encounters on its way! Did you know that your poo is rusty? That your intestines are four to five times the length of your entire body? And just what are these 'good' bacteria we keep hearing about?

Learn how to make yourself healthier, happier and more efficient simply by what you pop into your mouth! All this and much more will be revealed when you join us for a full menu of amazing facts about the unique food processor that is the human body!

Mark Kydd and Nicky McCabe have extensive experience of performing, directing and devising theatre-in-education projects, having worked for the Edinburgh Science Festival, Theatre Modo, Scottish Opera For All and Generation Science. In addition neither of them has really grown up yet.

I look forward to hearing from your school and hope that they can come to the event.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Ainsworth, Chemistry Week coordinator.
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