

Local Education Authority:

Please provide a brief statement about how you will benefit from this course:

  
  

Please ask your headteacher to provide a brief statement of support:

  
  

Do you have any special dietary requirements? (Please tick one box)  YES  NO

If yes, please indicate nature of requirements:

Hotel Accommodation (Please tick one box):  Smoking  Non-smoking

Special Access requirements:

#### DECLARATION

If my application is accepted I agree to attend both parts of this course and undertake a gap-task.

Signed:  Date  /  /

Please return completed form to:

Geraldine Stone, SSERC, 2 Pitreavie Court, South Pitreavie Business Park, Dunfermline KY11 8UB

PLEASE NOTE: Places on the course will be confirmed by letter. Please do not assume that submitting the form equates to acceptance on the course. Please ensure that your school office /management has sent your application to SSERC by the closing date shown in the table on the reverse of this form.



*"Will certainly be recommending other staff to put in for future courses."*



*"Such simple ideas but ones that will ensure deep learning happens in the classroom."*



*"This has been an absolutely fabulous experience. I have learnt so much and am going back inspired and full of ideas. Thank you."*



*"The range of activities was good and I feel I have come away from the course more confident and better equipped to teach Science."*

# Bridging the Gap

## Primary Science

A series of practically-based professional development courses for primary teachers, sponsored by the Scottish Government, to support the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence in Science



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## Programme for 2009 - 2010

Building on the evident success of the 2008-2009 CPD programme for teachers of primary science run by SSERC and its partners, we are offering residential courses to support the implementation of *Curriculum for Excellence*.

Each of these courses will follow an interactive approach with a focus on practical work and active learning. We will address how contemporary issues and the associated science can be explored through the curriculum. Programmes for individual courses can be found on the SSERC website ([www.sserc.org.uk](http://www.sserc.org.uk)).

Workshops and activities will take place at the Holiday Inn, Corstorphine (Edinburgh) and other venues nearby.

## Course structure

Each of the courses will run in two parts. Part 1 will start on a Thursday morning and finish shortly after lunch on Saturday; Part 2 will run from Friday until Saturday.

Teaching approaches to support learning will be key features of these courses. Equipment and resources (whose value is in excess of the £100 registration fee) to aid implementation in the classroom will be given to participants.

Participants will be expected to undertake, between Parts 1 and 2 of the course, a classroom-based project – the so-called 'Gap Task'. Previous experience has shown that, as a result of this approach, participants have access to a host of new ideas and methodologies to use in their teaching.

## Registration

A registration form is included as part of this leaflet. Alternatively, forms can be downloaded from [www.sserc.org.uk](http://www.sserc.org.uk); further information can be obtained by e-mailing us at [cpd@sserc.org.uk](mailto:cpd@sserc.org.uk). Forms should be returned to SSERC at least 3 weeks prior to the course start date.

The registration fee is £100 to include accommodation (2 nights in Part 1 and 1 night in Part 2), dinner, bed and breakfast. All participants will be invoiced one week prior to the start of the course.

## Course dates

During the academic year 2009/10 we are offering the following courses for primary teachers.

COURSE A	
PART 1	Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th September 2009
PART 2	Friday 15th - Saturday 16th January 2010

  

COURSE B	
PART 1	Thursday 29th – Saturday 31st October 2009
PART 2	Friday 5th – Saturday 6th February 2010

Please note that these courses are underpinned and supported from a variety of third-party sources. Attendance at both Part 1 and Part 2 is compulsory. In the event of failure to attend both Part 1 and Part 2 of the course, without adequate reason, the full estimated cost of the residential course (£500) will be charged. **Please ensure that your institution is aware of this rule prior to submission of your registration form.**



# BRIDGING THE GAP REGISTRATION FORM 2009/10

## PRIMARY PROGRAMME

Please choose your preferred course and tick the box as appropriate:

COURSE	COURSE DATES	CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS	✓
Course A	10th - 12th September 2009 & 15th - 16th January 2010	14th August 2009	<input type="checkbox"/>
Course B	29th - 31st October 2009 & 5th - 6th February 2010	2nd October 2009	<input type="checkbox"/>

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

### PERSONAL DETAILS

Title:  Surname:

First name (s):

Telephone:

Email:

I agree to this Email address appearing in the delegate pack

School / college mailing address:

Post code:

Invoice Address (if different from above):

Post code: