## **Primary Science Teaching Awards**

SSERC were delighted to support the Primary Science Teaching Trust's hugely successful Primary Science Education Conference (PSEC) - held in Edinburgh in June 2019 [1].

PSTT are the proud sponsors of the Primary Science Teaching Awards (PSTAs) – supported by the Royal Society, the Association for Science Education and TTS Group.

The awards for 2018 were presented at the PSEC dinner which took place at Our Dynamic Earth - Edinburgh on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

Among the award winners was Anita Angier from Shapinsay Community School, Orkney. Anita's award was endorsed by the Institute of Physics and the presentation was made by Stuart Farmer – IOP Education Manager (Scotland).

The awards are open to all current practising Primary Teachers (full or part-time) who:

- are innovative and creative in teaching science;
- inspire colleagues and contribute to developing science in their school and beyond;
- engage pupils in the excitement and fascination of science.



Teachers who win a Primary Science Teacher Award support colleagues in their own and other schools, either locally, regionally or nationally, to raise the profile of science and the quality of primary school science provision.

Winners are automatically inducted into the Primary Science Teacher College as a PSTT College Fellow, where they have access to many benefits including funding in excess of £500,000 to help shape primary science for the better [2].

Nominations for the Primary Science Teaching Awards open in January 2020, so if you know an outstanding primary science teacher then celebrate their passion for science education by nominating them for a Primary Science Teaching Award [3].

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