

Following a busy few months filled with Festivals, Awards and Events, the Salters' Institute is looking forward to a productive Autumn in the lead-up to the Centenary. Festival entries are due to open in November, and we look forward to receiving your school's entry! More information below...

SALTERS' NATIONAL AWARDS FOR SCIENCE TECHNICIANS



The Awards are run in collaboration with CLEAPSS and SSERC, with the purpose of highlighting and recognising the outstanding work of school science technicians. The Awards are open to all science technician teams (*sole technicians are still eligible!*) with up to four awards of £1,000 each.

This year we received a high number of applications - thank you to all those who took the time to apply! Applications for 2018 will open on Monday 5 March.

[Click here](#) for further details for the Salters' National Awards for Science Technicians.

www.saltersinstitute.co.uk/awards/



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The Salters' **Festivals of Chemistry** were a big success this year, with 49 Festivals taking place across 40 universities and colleges throughout the UK and Ireland between March and June. Over 700 schools participated, giving Year 7 and 8 students the opportunity to experience practical chemistry challenges and compete against other schools in a University or College laboratory.

Thank you to all those who attended and supported a Salters' Festival of Chemistry. Entries for 2018 will open on **Tuesday 28 November**.

[Click here](#) for further information about these Festivals.



FESTIVALS FOR YEAR 9

Four Year 9 **Festivals of Chemistry** were piloted at the Universities of Bath, Liverpool, Nottingham and Sussex, giving students the opportunity to work independently and use more testing techniques in the practical investigation. These Festivals were a success and we hope to host more next year.



Spooktacular Science!

The Salters' Institute and the Salters' Company are hosting a special half-term **Halloween science event** at Salters' Hall on **Thursday 26 October**. Come with your **family** and have a go at some glowing and goey Halloween science! The event is **FREE**, but registration is required.

Click [here](#) to register.



We look forward to seeing you there!

OTHER NEWS



Royal Society of Biology school competitions

The Royal Society of Biology runs three school competitions each year for school students: the [Biology Challenge](#) (13-15 year olds), the [Intermediate Biology Olympiad](#) (16-17 year olds), and the [British Biology Olympiad](#) (post-16 students). The competitions present students with a chance to demonstrate and challenge their biology knowledge, and encourages them to take an interest in biology beyond the school curriculum. Teachers can [register](#) their students for the 2018 competitions from 12 October 2017.

Your School can join the Royal Society of Biology

Benefit from Royal Society of Biology membership by joining through the Society's [Schools and Colleges Affiliation Scheme](#). As a member, your school or college will receive subscription to the Society's publications, [The Biologist](#) and the [Journal of Biological Education](#), and access to classroom resources and the latest research in biology teaching. Your pupils aged 14-19 will also receive free [BioNet membership](#). Please contact [Lucy Coia](#) for more information.

IOP Institute of Physics

Join the IOP to gain professional registration

Professional Registration is a mark of attainment that demonstrates that you have had your competence externally verified by a panel of your peers and that you are committed to your professional development.

"Professional registration provides recognition for what you have achieved. It is also a positive way of seeing how far I have progressed and where I can continue my professional development further." Christine Thorogood, RSciTech, **Assistant Research Scientist at National Physical Laboratory**

You can gain your professional registration by joining the Institute of Physics and applying for Registered Science Technician (RSciTech) or Registered Scientist (RSci).

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