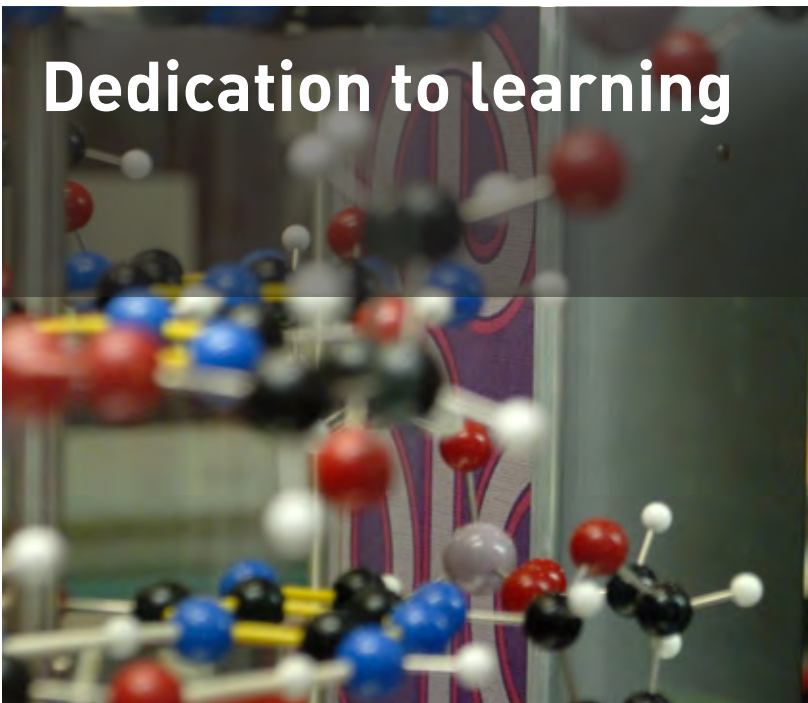


Dedication to learning



The Science Museum believes that we all need to be able to talk science – to be enlightened, not blinded by the incredible discoveries that shape our lives. **Learning** is therefore at the heart of everything we do. The Science Museum talks science in many different ways and to many different audiences. In each case we set out to give people the confidence to find their own voice – to have their say in science. The Learning team regularly contribute to the education and lifestyle press, commenting on such diverse topics as science toys, how to explain the inner workings of the body and the science curriculum in schools.



Library & Archives

The Science Museum Library & Archives is a major research library of the history and public understanding of science and engineering, which is freely available to the public. It contains half a million items, including many that are rare or unique, such as a first edition of Sir Isaac Newton's *Principia mathematica* and a signed copy of Albert Einstein's general theory of relativity.



Can't come to the Science Museum? Let the Science Museum come to you. We bring a range of curriculum-linked shows and workshops to schools, community groups and science clubs up and down the country, reaching a whopping 60,000 people each year. The **Outreach** team travel far and wide, so it's lucky they have their own bold red van! All of our shows and workshops are highly participative, involving amazing demonstrations and encouraging learning through activity.



Over 350,000 people visit the Science Museum in pre-booked groups each year, making the Science Museum **the most popular free school-trip destination in Britain**, with a global reputation too. Helping educators bring science to life in the classroom and at STEM clubs, the Science Museum has developed a range of creative teacher resources and courses. Each year more than 2000 educators participate in our courses and workshops and even more have downloaded free classroom activities.



Collections

The Science Museum has around 230,000 objects in its care, with particular strengths in the history of Western science, technology and medicine since 1700. It has been uniquely placed to acquire objects recording the Industrial Revolution, and now holds unrivalled collections in this area. Medical artefacts from a wide range of periods and cultures also form an important part of its holdings.