A photograph of three young children in school uniforms. They are looking towards the left of the frame with expressions of curiosity and interest. The child in the foreground is pointing their finger towards the left. The background is dark and out of focus.

Achieving a **primary science quality mark** will raise the **profile of science** in your school



## ▶ What is PSQM?


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- The only national school award for science in primary schools.
- A CPD supported school-led initiative which will make a positive difference to the quality and profile of science in your school.
- Exceptional subject leader professional development.

## ▶ What is the PSQM process?

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Schools achieve a PSQM award through a year long process of initial audit, followed by action and reflection, all supported by expert face to face training and mentoring. PSQM evaluates and develops science in the following areas:

- Subject Leadership
  - Teachers & Teaching
  - Pupils & Learning
  - Broader Opportunities
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## ► Why do PSQM?

- To raise the profile of science in your school.
- To acknowledge and celebrate your school's commitment to excellence in primary science.
- To take part in a year's programme of CPD and on-line mentoring which meets acknowledged standards for effective professional learning.
- To access a wealth of resources and support for science teaching.
- To work with other subject leaders in your area and share ideas.
- To be part of a vibrant national network of science educators and stakeholders.

“ *The process of gaining the award brings benefits beyond the certificate because it requires school leaders to evaluate their provision and justify their science curriculum as being fit for promoting good learning.* ”

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# ▶ Hub Leaders - we need you!

PSQM hub leaders provide face to face training and on-line mentoring for science subject leaders.

“*Being a PSQM hub leader is busy, crazy, challenging, motivating and, above all, the best job in the world.*”

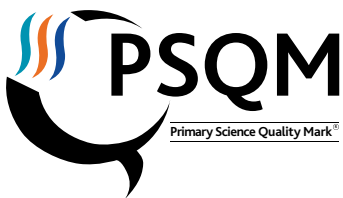
**Bryony Turford – Senior Regional Hub Leader, Yorkshire.**

PSQM hub leaders are expert enthusiasts in primary science. They are trained and supported by regional senior hub leaders to use the PSQM training materials to provide professional development and support for subject leaders.

To find out more, and to apply go to the **PSQM website.**



# PSQM will make a **positive impact** to **science** in your school, whatever your **starting point**



## **PSQM Award:**

for schools which demonstrate how effective science leadership is beginning to have an impact on science teaching and learning across the school.

## **PSQM Gilt:**

for schools which demonstrate how established effective science leadership is having a sustained impact on science teaching and learning across the school.

## **PSQM Outreach:**

for schools which meet the PSQM Gilt criteria and also demonstrate impact of science leadership, teaching and learning on other schools

“ *As a new subject leader, being involved in PSQM gave me an immediate focus and clear vision of how to develop the subject in my school.* ”

PSQM Round 12 Participant .....

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**“** *PSQM connects school science leaders to other primary school leaders who have successfully raised the subject's profile in their school.*

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