Amazing Animals*

Wednesday 27th September 2017
4-6.30pm

Content
The CPD session aims to train teachers in the use of the excellent resources found in the Aberdeen Biodiversity Centre and Zoology Museum. This will enable them to lead activities that increase the child’s awareness and experience of the natural world. Self-led visits can be booked following the CPD, but within a specific timeframe.
Through interactive, resource-based learning which develops the child’s observational and investigation skills they will explore the classification of the animal kingdom. They will also have the opportunity to use microscopes to further examine characteristics of the different vertebrate groups. The majority of the session utilises the handling collection and facilities at the ABC and some time will be spent in the adjoining Zoology Museum.
This session will address outcomes across the CfE but will focus on SCN 2-01a.

Expected Outcomes
Completion of this session will enable teachers to use the Aberdeen Biodiversity Centre and Zoology museum to confidently deliver the “Amazing Animals” workshop to their classes through interactive learning whilst:

- enhancing their own knowledge and understanding of the complexity and classification of the animal world, while at the same time as developing transferable skills.
- increasing scientific literacy, creating greater curiosity and developing understanding of the natural world and the relevance of science
- developing strategies to deliver science topics in the classroom

Aberdeen City teachers should book directly through the CPD team at Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeenshire and independent teachers should contact the centre directly to book a place. Please note there is a £33.50 charge when booking through the centre, however the session and subsequent teacher-led visit is free.

Aberdeen Biodiversity Centre, University of Aberdeen, Zoology Building, Tillydrone Avenue
AB24 2TZ. Zoology Building car park restrictions lifted for CPD attendees.

*please note this session is based on the practical session from the previous versatile vertebrate’s session, but has modified context and subject matter.