Fossils, Dinosaurs and Prehistoric Life

Tuesday 7th November 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 how fossils are formed, and what they can teach us about dinosaurs and other prehistoric life. The session will look at how dinosaurs lived, and why they and other life forms became extinct. 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 and SOC 2-12a

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

- enhancing their own knowledge and understanding of prehistoric life and the fossil record.
- 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.