



Recruitment now open

- Focus4TAPS is a 3-day training program to support primary science teaching and assessment, based on Teacher Assessment in Primary Science (TAPS) research
- EEF found strong evidence of a **positive impact** on pupil attainment and teacher confidence
- New EEF trial will now test effectiveness at a bigger scale



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Implementation cost



Evidence strength



Impact (months)



 Research Results

New primary science Focus4TAPS EEF trial

- Funded by Education Endowment Foundation, evaluation by NatCen
- EEF trial: schools randomly allocated to intervention or control group

- 300 schools in 13 regions:

Newcastle, Sunderland, Sheffield, Liverpool, Bolton/Bury, Nottingham, Derby, Wolverhampton, Suffolk, Essex, Southampton, South-East London, West London

3 CPD days for Y5 teachers and science subject leaders:

- **Intervention group** CPD 2024-25: heavily subsidised CPD - one off £150 fee per school for 2 teachers (science lead and Y5 teacher) for all 3 days in 2024-25, plus £200 thank you payment to school at end.
- **Control group** offered CPD 2025-26: £500 thank you for waiting

Outcome measures:

- Y5 pupil attainment and attitudes – June 2025 for all schools
- Teacher surveys, plus some invited case study schools

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We are lucky to have two groups recruiting near here:

- Newcastle and Sunderland

Only 300 places across England, so sign up for more info now!



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Are you in/near one of these areas?

- Newcastle, Sunderland
- Sheffield/Rotherham
- Liverpool/Wirral
- Bolton/Bury/Salford
- Nottingham, Derby
- Walsall/Wolverhampton
- Suffolk, Essex
- Portsmouth/Southampton
- South-East London (Bromley, Bexley, Croydon)
- West London (Ealing, Harrow, Hounslow)

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