

Making a Difference | At a Glance

Inspiring Impact: How volunteers gain skills and make a difference through STEAM

From a volunteer's point of view, the Collaborative STEAM Events are as rewarding for them as they are for the pupils. Volunteers from over 40 different organisations have supported PBP activities and have highlighted the personal satisfaction and professional growth they gain from taking part.

Volunteer Reflections

One volunteer commented:

"It was great being able to give back to the community and engage with young students about nuclear, helping to change the stigma around the industry."

Another said:

"Introducing children to careers at these ages plants the seeds of possibility — helping them dream with direction and see their future as something they can shape."



MAKING A LASTING DIFFERENCE

Developing Skills

The events also give volunteers the chance to **develop their own skills** in communication, public speaking, and working with diverse audiences.

As one participant reflected:

“It was great to see young children being curious and asking questions about my role. I wish I’d had these events when I was at school.”

Adopt a Cluster Approach

The ‘Adopt’ a Cluster approach has strengthened these connections further, especially for companies with no prior presence in the area. For them, repeated involvement in events has built trust with schools and enabled them to tailor sessions to local needs, making their outreach more effective.

Volunteer Feedback

“The interaction was energetic, fun, and insightful.”

“Very well organised event — the children were polite, engaged, and seemed to really enjoy the experience.”

