

Centre of the Cell

Inspiring future scientists

What is Centre of the Cell?

Centre of Cell is the first informal science education centre to be located within biomedical research laboratories. Based at Queen Mary's Whitechapel campus, it operates from two award-winning pods.



STEM Pod experience

The striking STEM Pod hangs above the Blizard Institute's laboratories. Inside, explore the amazing world of cells, the human body, the latest biomedical research through interactive games, films and fascinating objects geared towards KS2-KS5 pupils. Each visiting group has a trained Explainer on hand, and at least one medical or dental student, health professional and/or scientist to enhance their learning experience.



Neuron Pod science shows and workshops

Neuron Pod offers a range of unique science shows and workshops to complement a STEM Pod visit. These are fantastic resources for teachers that offer curriculum-linked, engaging interactive activities and demonstrations which cover science topics related to all Key Stages.



Outreach

Our science shows and workshops can be delivered in schools and community spaces with a flexible timetable that fits around your day.



Staff at the Centre of the Cell were really knowledgeable, enthusiastic and sessions were carefully planned and engaging.

Key Stage 2 school teacher

Public events

The Centre offers family events in the school holidays in both Pods, from science shows to workshops. There are evening events to enjoy too, such as music and science concerts.



Youth Membership Scheme

Our Youth Membership Scheme offers young people aged 14-19 work experience, volunteering opportunities, careers advice and mentoring sessions with scientists, students, Centre of the Cell staff and healthcare professionals. Members can join our Youth Forum and special projects such as developing new content and resources.

Download the application form from our website or email youthmembers@centrefofthecell.org



Centre of the Cell shop

Browse interesting and quirky souvenirs, games and books available from our gift shop. These include toys, stationary, post cards and our 'Cell Trumps', 'Virus Trumps' and 'Bacteria Trumps' cards. A number of items are available to buy online at centrefofthecell.org/shop

Online resources

Find a range of educational resources – such as interactive games and apps – on our website, as well as sections on medical history and biomedical ethics. Download our apps from Google Play and App Store.



Neuron Pod private hire

Neuron Pod, our state-of-the-art, purpose-built learning and community space is available to hire for meetings, corporate days, conferences, seminars and birthday parties.

For more information and to book, visit centrefofthecell.org/neuron-pod



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Brilliant! Made science fascinating. Something for everyone.

Parent with a family group

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An amazingly wonderful experience that I will always remember.

Key Stage 2 pupil

For more information about our science shows, workshops and venue hire, please visit our website or email us.

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Neuron Pod
was named by
The Times as one
of the 10 best
buildings in 2019
THE  TIMES

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I thought everything was brilliant. It has inspired me to maybe become a cell scientist when I am older.

Child with a family group



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