

# The Canterbury Science Teachers Association

## ***What is the 'CSTA' ?***

The **Canterbury Science Teachers Association** is a not-for-profit organisation whose members are interested in science and science education. The current membership represents all sectors with primary, secondary and tertiary educators, along with input from ITO's and crown entities. The CSTA has been active in Canterbury and nationally for over three decades.



## ***Why join the CSTA?***

Membership of the CSTA helps to raise your awareness of the best professional development available, as well as unique opportunities supported by the association, such as:

- The annual Head of Department Day
- Beginning Teachers Workshops
- Primary Science Week Workshops
- Science Technician's Day

The CSTA also organises social events for science educators in the region, such as entertaining quiz nights and the annual RSNZ Fellowship dinner. The subsequent professional networking is an distinct benefit of joining the association.

Regular email newsletters and subject specific emails keep members informed of relevant activities supported by the CSTA, as do its website ([www.csta.school.nz](http://www.csta.school.nz)) and its twitter feed ([@NZCSTA](https://twitter.com/NZCSTA)).

Additionally a CSTA Professional Learning Grant is available for members, to help attend conferences when other funding is unavailable.

## ***What else does the CSTA do?***

The CSTA is involved in many other areas such as:

- working with local tertiary institutions to create stronger links between secondary and tertiary science education.
- producing examinations for Level 1 Science and Level 2 Biology.
- recommending suitable 'non-commercial' resources and examinations.
- supporting science events for students such as the BP Technology Challenge and regional Science Fairs.

For the most current membership details simply visit [www.csta.school.nz](http://www.csta.school.nz)

*Regards and hoping you will join us.*

*CSTA Committee.*

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