# STEM Newsletter

"Let's build the change we wish to see" – Emily Pilloton

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# **Important Reminders**

- 1. Update your Monthly Newsletter.
- 2. Make sure your website is up to date!
- 3. Interims due January 22.

# **Technology News**

<u>Wintertime Magnetic Poetry</u> - only on chromebooks and laptops Students can drag and drop the words into their scene creating a winter poem. This might be a fun full group activity, or individual.

#### **Build a Snowman -**

Students can copy and paste pictures onto their snowman.

#### 3D Print a Snowflake

Students can use Tinkercad to create a snowflake.

#### **Primary Winter STEAM Activities**

This site has some fun STEAM activities for the primary grade levels. You might be able to adjust for the older students as well.

#### **Vivify STEM**

There is a whole list of activities you can do with your students that are winter themed.

#### **STEAMsational**

A ton of winter activities by grade level.

#### **Blooklet**

Similar to Kahoot, this offers a great way to engage your students in review.

# **STEM News**

Snowflake Activity: <a href="https://stemactivitiesforkids.com/2015/12/21/winter-stem-with-snowflakes/">https://stemactivitiesforkids.com/2015/12/21/winter-stem-with-snowflakes/</a>

## **Engineering Activities**

Go <u>here</u> to find various kinds of activities. You can filter for grade or subject.

## Skype a Scientist

Enrollment is now open for 2021 matches! Sign up here!

Reminders:

- If you want a super specific match, you can always browse our scientist search tool <u>here</u> and then request a scientist by name!
- -Fill out one form per session. Have 5 classes? Fill out our enrollment form 5 times!

#### **Online Classroom Games**

Easy-to-use virtual games that elementary teachers are playing with their students this year, along with tips on how to incorporate them into the classroom.

https://www.edutopia.org/article/13-virtual-games-play-your-elementary-classroom

## **What Educators Are Learning During the Pandemic**

Many school leaders and teachers are focusing on whole child education, an idea that seems likely to grow in prominence in the future. Interesting <u>article.</u>

# 5 Ways to Take Some of the Distance Out of Distance Learning

It's important this year to keep connecting with students and fostering their engagement in learning. <a href="https://www.edutopia.org/article/5-ways-take-some-distance-out-distance-learning">https://www.edutopia.org/article/5-ways-take-some-distance-out-distance-learning</a>