

# JOINING



The Technology Enhancement Programme (TEP) provides help and support for teachers of Design and Technology. TEP is supported by Gatsby Charitable Foundation and is at the forefront of innovation in design and technology education in schools and colleges throughout the United Kingdom.

The original aim for TEP was to address the need for well-trained, educated and motivated young people with the practical skills demanded by industry. TEP continues to pursue this agenda and has made great progress in putting the 'technical' back into education in the UK. TEP works closely with the wider D&T community to support a breadth of initiatives. TEP sets and maintains standards for innovative quality making opportunities and pioneers new and innovative resources for schools and colleges.

The main aim of TEP has always been to focus on the following:

1. Success and excellence – the drive for quality.
2. The age range 11 to 19.
3. Cross-linking of technology with mathematics and science.
4. The encouragement and recognition of the practically able.

By giving schools access to modern technology resources at ultra low cost, TEP fosters change and progress across the subject. TEP continues to influence examination content and National Curriculum and extend the boundaries for change. Working with industry, education institutions and professional bodies TEP seeks to draw together exciting opportunities and partnerships.

Over 1800 schools and colleges across the UK have already joined TEP and enjoy the extended benefits of the TEP network. TEP has a one-off joining fee that entitles new joiners to a substantial range of support, including a Technology Resource package of products to help and sustain new approaches to teaching D&T.

The total value of initial resources far exceeds the joining fee and is just the start of membership which also includes:

- A one-off Technology Resource pack which exceeds £500.
- Every TEP school is entitled to a minimum 5% discount on all Teaching Resources products.
  - News and Views copies issued termly.
  - Access to free or discounted INSET regionally and nationally.
  - Access to advice and support directly from the TEP team and Associates on D&T matters.
  - Free support packs of printed media, multimedia and practical equipment that is distributed to members annually.
  - TEP website access that provides a unique member area supporting an extensive range publication downloads as PDFs. Project galleries and a superb library of electronics and PCB wizard circuits and instructions.

TEP welcome applications from individual schools, groups of schools and colleges, LEA's, SETPOINTS and other agencies.

Should you require further information please email [info@tep.org.uk](mailto:info@tep.org.uk). You can also download an application form to join TEP from the website: [www.tep.org.uk](http://www.tep.org.uk)

## 2005 resource pack for new members

The pack sent out to new members is designed to give schools and colleges a comprehensive introduction to the range of materials and resources that TEP has to offer. These include multimedia, resources, publications, hardware, consumables and starter-packs.

### The pack comprises:

- ✓ A selection of CDROMs from the TEP library including: Introducing Manufacturing, Robotics, Materials selection
- ✓ Shadow Air Muscle Kit
- ✓ Geodesic Space-frame / Roll Tube construction kit
- ✓ Injection Moulding Kit
- ✓ Electroluminescent starter pack
- ✓ Smart Colours starter pack
- ✓ Millennium Projects for KS3 Teacher Books (10)
- ✓ Millennium Projects starter kits (4)
- ✓ Pewter Casting Starter kit
- ✓ Chip Machine (PIC) starter kit
- ✓ Robotics Universal starter kit
- ✓ Smartcard Programmer kit
- ✓ PhonePIC – Programmer kit
- ✓ Smart materials and smart products sample pack
- ✓ Air motors and pump starter pack
- ✓ Bug kit class pack
- ✓ Smart Grease starter pack

The pack value now exceeds **£500** and represents amazing value as part of the current one-off membership fee of **£325**.



If you are interested in becoming a TEP member fill in the form on the back cover or visit our website and download the Joining PDF at: [www.tep.org.uk](http://www.tep.org.uk)

