**German Saturday School Teaching Award**

**We would like to invite nominations for the   
2nd annual German Saturday School Teaching Award (GSSTA).**

**Aims:**

* to reward enthusiastic and dedicated teachers
* to identify innovative, motivating, effective and imaginative teaching projects
* to reward teaching that specifically meets the needs of Saturday School pupils,   
  and has an effect beyond the Saturday School

**Background:**

We recognise that the German Saturday Schools in the UK are   
a heterogeneous group of schools and follow a range of different   
approaches to German language teaching in informal settings.   
This diversity, we believe, is their specific strength.

We would like to identify **innovative and imaginative projects** from   
enthusiastic and resourceful German teachers, which make a real   
difference for the Saturday School children.

We are deliberately open for any successful teaching projects from any teacher, irrespective of their professional background. All are welcome to take part. Projects could be an innovative lesson plan, a teaching project covering several lessons, a project using a specific technological or creative approach or anything else which you have tried out with your class!

The three winners will present their projects at the annual teacher training day (21 October 2017), and the projects will also be published on the VDSS website.

**The three winners of the GSSTA will each receive £100! One of the three awards is sponsored by the German Embassy London.**

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**How do I apply?**

Your head teacher should propose you and write a brief statement about you. You then describe your project in detail. The project should have taken place in this school year.

**How many applicants per school?**

The limit for the number of applicants per school is roughly proportional to the number of teachers (but *not* supply teachers or classroom assistants): 1-5 teachers (up to 1 application), 6-10 teachers (up to 2 applications), 11+ teachers (up to 3 applications).

**Application deadline:**  30th September 2017  
Please submit applications in English to: [charlotte.schulze@btopenworld.com](mailto:charlotte.schulze@btopenworld.com)

**Application for the German Saturday School Teaching Award (GSSTA)**

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| Name of school |  |
| Name of head teacher and contact email address |  |
| Name of nominated teacher  and contact email address |  |
| **Head teacher’s statement**  Up to **100 words** – a brief statement about the nominee and her background |  |
| **Nominee’s statement**  Up to **500 words** – a description of your project in any format including pictures, or even a short film (max. 1 min.).  You could include the following information; - What was the aim of the project?  - Which age groups were involved?  - How did the project further the pupil’s German language learning?  - What was special about your pedagogical approach? - What is the evidence for the success of this project?  - How did the project have an effect beyond the Saturday School?  - What was the feedback from pupils and parents? - Why did you choose this project? |  |