



DURRINGTON INFANT AND JUNIOR FEDERATED SCHOOLS

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Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to tell you about an exciting science week that we have planned for the children to coincide with National Science Week which is March 9th – 17th 2019. We have booked Sublime Science to come to Durrington for 4 days of crazy science fun and learning during the week beginning **March 11th**.

To give you some background information on Sublime Science...

'Mad' Marc (Marc Wileman on more sensible occasions) founded Sublime Science with the sole intention of showing children how much fun science can be. He founded Sublime Science with a £1,750 Prince's Trust loan back in 2008, aged just 22. Marc is well-known for firing smoke rings at the Dragons on Dragons' Den wearing a slime covered lab coat but went on to secure Dragon investment as well as winning a **Queen's Award for Enterprise, a Great British Entrepreneur Award** and most important of all, making **science awesome for more than 1,000,000 children**. His ethos is about children having real fun doing science, being inspired and entertained (**and sneaking in the learning when they're having too much fun to notice!**)

Each class from Year 1 – Year 6 will take part in an hour-long workshop that is linked to the National Curriculum as well as taking part in a programme of fun science in the classroom.

The value of educational visits is widely recognised as a most effective means of extending pupil knowledge, enriching pupil understanding, and promoting personal and social development. Ofsted also acknowledge the importance of quality learning experiences outside the classroom for raising pupil attainment.

Here at Durrington, we believe wholeheartedly in the value of these experiences, but it will not be possible for days like this to take place without a financial contribution from families. We are therefore asking for a voluntary contribution of **£4.90** to cover the cost of this event.

If we receive insufficient funds by **Friday February 8th**, the activities unfortunately will not be able to go ahead. If there is any difficulty in meeting this contribution, please contact Mrs.Hankin in confidence, so that we can discuss ways in which we can help. Please complete the slip below and place exact cash as no change will be given (or a cheque payable to **Durrington Junior School**) in an envelope with your child's name, class and what it is for on the front.

We are all looking forward to an exciting Science Week at Durrington!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs.Watson - Science subject leader

Science Week workshops March 2019

I give permission for my child _____

in _____ class to take part in the Science workshop

enclose **£4.90** towards the cost of this event.

Signed _____ Date _____

