

Faringdon Infant School

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Future of Faringdon; Including all; Supporting everyone to grow

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to tell you that last year we were successful in our bid to create a science partnership with the Ogden Trust. The partnership is a mix of 12 primary and secondary schools in the Wantage and Faringdon areas. The Ogden Trust is a charitable trust that exists to promote the teaching and learning of physics. They will be funding our partnership over the next 4 years.

What this means for FIS - Your children will benefit from more physics enrichment in school. During the next 4 years, science leads in the partnership schools will be working together to organise fantastic learning opportunities. These will range from competitions, science fairs, visits, visitors and much more.

The first of these activities is the '**Physics Photography Fun**' competition. The theme is,

'Physics in my world'

This could include photos in categories such as:

Light and shadow

Movement (vehicles, animals, playing, throwing, squashing, stretching, pushes and pulls)

Gears, levers and pulleys (e.g. at the playground, on my bike)

Forces such as friction, gravity, air-resistance, water-resistance (slipping, falling, defying gravity, windy day, floating and sinking)

Electricity, Magnets, Sound, Space

The idea is that **children will take a photo themselves** and not a photo of them doing something. However, there is also an adult category open to school staff and parents so please get involved yourselves!

How to enter

- 1 Children to take some photographs of physics in action and then choose their favourite to submit – it is only 1 entry per person. If more than one photo is entered, the first image will be used.
- 2 Name your digital image file in this format: **FIS, age range (Reception, Year 1 or Year 2), competitor name, name of photo.**
- 3 **Email subject should be: Photo, FIS, Age range, competitor name.**
- 4 Send your digital image to your school's designated staff member (Miss Beale) before midnight on **Monday 1st November 2021.**

Your school information for file name:

School Abbreviation: FIS

Age ranges: Reception, Year 1, Year 2

Send to mapleclass21-22@fis.faringdonlearningtrust.org

Example for Jo Witney in Y2 at FIS: FISYear2JoWitneyspaceflower.jpeg

Prizes and Judging

There will be winners in each age category for each school. They will win a small prize and a certificate. Their entry will then be entered in the partnership final where there will be one prize for each age group. The prizes will be up to the value of £80 and will include a variety of age-appropriate prizes. Some examples of prizes include Knex working fairground rides, Ugears, build a working safe, Geomag set.



There will also be a prize for the adult category! This will be a **family ticket to We the Curious**, the Science Museum at Bristol. Family ticket will include entry for 2 adults and 2 children. It will not include travel.

The in-school child competitions will be judged by staff in the school. Judges will only know the age range, not the name of the children. The finals will be judged by our regional representative from

the Ogden Trust and 2 other impartial judges. Children must submit photographs which they have taken themselves.

Photos will be displayed at the Faringdon Library. By submitting your photograph to the competition, you give us permission to do this. Please ensure that you have permission of any people included in your photographs to submit their image.

I do hope that you will support your children to take part in this competition – who knows where it might lead!

Best wishes,

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