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## Science Week 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We will be celebrating British Science Week from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. During the week the children will be involved in a range of science activities linked to the theme 'Time'.

### Science Workshops

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March the children will be involved in Sublime Science workshops. These will be hands on, fun workshops where the children will explore different scientific themes.

### Gadget Shop

The gadget shop will be back again this year after the huge success last year. There will be a range of gadgets on sale from 50p - £3. They will be on sale every break during science week until everything is gone!

### Science at Home

Each child will be given a plant pot with a sunflower seed in to take home during science week. We would like the children to look after it and watch it germinate and grow. Children can document their sunflower's growth by sending photographs to their teachers on Class Dojo or recording its growth on a table/graph. There will be prizes for the tallest sunflowers in Summer Term.

### The British Science Week 2024 poster competition

The theme this year is 'Time', – there are loads of STEM topics to be explored! Students could create a poster showing how a certain type of technology has changed over time, or even the advancement of time-telling technology itself. Budding poster makers could also go futuristic and show us how they think the world might look in years to come, or perhaps look at nature – lifecycles, lifespans, evolution and hibernation – nature is full of timely topics.

British Science Week 2024 marks the Week's 30th anniversary, with the inaugural celebration happening in 1994. Students could think about scientific innovations since then, or explore 1994 itself – what was life like 30 years ago?



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Winners will be chosen in school and prizes will be up for grabs.

A selection of winning entries will be sent to the British Science Association. Here is some information about how they will be judged by The British Science Association.

We wish that everyone could be a winner, but we only have a limited number of prizes. So, here's the lowdown on what the judges will be looking for:

- **Creativity in approach** – Innovative angle on the content or creative interpretation of the theme
- **Content** – Clear, accurate and informative about a STEM topic
- **Effective communication** – presented and communicated in an engaging way

Members of the British Science Association will shortlist entries, and a panel of judges will select a winner in each category. The two runners up in each category will be uploaded to our Facebook page and the public will decide on a fifth 'popular vote' winner.

Please send in all entries by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March with your name and class on the back. Teachers will provide children with paper to complete their posters on request.

We are looking forward to seeing your wonderful designs.

Mrs Thackway