

Centre for Curriculum Leadership in Math and Science

# Workshops for Students







28 to 30 May 2019

12 and 15 November 2019

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0900 – 1200	<u>Spherification</u>	Chemistry	
	<u>You are what you eat</u>	Biology	
	<u>Circuits and Electronics</u>	Physics	
1300 – 1600	Ice-cream making	Chemistry	
	<u>Enzyme universe</u>	Biology	
	Optics and Astronomy	Physics	
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## Unleash your inner master-baker B1

Biology – Everyday Life/ Interactions





Some say baking is an art.

To us, baking surely is a science too.

In this workshop, you will get to explore how different compositions of ingredients (eggs, sugar, almond flour amongst others) affect the consistency and taste of macarons which you will bake with your own hands, and, of course, eat them.

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### You are what you eat

### Biology – Systems/ Interactions

### B2 & B5







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# The wonderful world of insects B3

Biology – Interactions/ Diversity



This workshop introduces students to various biological concepts using the world of insects. Students will learn ecological sampling techniques as they practise sampling insect and butterfly diversity. Animal behaviour will also be explored with a simple experiment using *Drosophila Melanogaster* (or better known as fruit flies. Students will practise basic microscopy techniques as they examine their understanding of human physiology by comparing it with insect physiology. Throughout the workshop, higher-order thinking skills and the process of scientific inquiry will be emphasised.

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### The biodiversity of sea creatures B4

Biology – Systems, Interactions, Diversity



'The oceans cover 70% of the surface of our planet, and yet they are still the least explored,'

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According to the latest estimation by researchers, there are about two million species living in the world's ocean. But only about one-third of those species have been named and described. As scientists continue to make new discoveries about the marine species, come join us at this workshop to learn more about the wonders of marine life! Meet the corals, horseshoe crabs, starfishes, sharks and many other marine animals, and find out more about how these fascinating sea creatures are adapted to thrive in the seas.

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### **Enzyme universe**

Biology – Everyday Life, Interactions



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In the workshop, we will be studying different biological enzymes and investigate how their actions are affected at varying conditions. We will even be developing our own hypotheses and putting them to the test.

**Bonus:** We will also work with enzymes that behaves differently from other enzymes, which will still function at extreme of conditions!

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### Science of slime

#### Chemistry - Interactions



Can a piece of slime be considered a solid or liquid? It has a fixed volume but yet, there is no fixed shape. And when a force is applied, the slime stretches, twists, and even flows.

Have you wonder how this soft and squishy texture comes about, and the various factors that affects the properties of slime, which exhibits non-Newtonian property (what is Newtonian in the first place?!)

To answer all these questions, come join us at this always-popular workshop where you do not just make your own slime, but are given various ingredients to make more stretchy and fluffy slime as you investigate their properties. You will also get to understand the (literal) flexibility chemistry brings to the vast variety of materials around us.

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### Ice-cream making

### C2 & C6

### Chemistry - Everyday Life / Interactions



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# Song of ice and fire

Chemistry - Everyday life / Interactions



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Well, these are all for you to find out when you attend this workshop! So bring along your friendly selves, after all, the secret of everything lies in our interactions!

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# **Colours of electricity**

### Chemistry – Systems / Interactions



You might have encountered how the chemical potential energies of batteries are converted to kinetic energy, heat and light.

#### But what about electricity causing chemical reactions?

The term 'electrolysis' can be understood as the 'using electricity to break something up'. When electricity is passed through certain chemicals, the reactions that proceed can be visualized in a dazzling array of colours (*depending how inventive a scientist you are*). In this workshop, you will not only conduct electrolysis, but also have the opportunity to exercise your creativity and come up with different electro-chemical patterns, all done in a safe environment, of course.

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# Spherification

Chemistry –Interactions



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All these do not occur naturally, but rather are processed and manufactured through a process that generates the regular spheres that tastes so good. So put on your chef's hat and apron and you can look forward to make and taste beautiful spheres of your own creation. Come understand the amazing chemistry process behind spherification!

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# Everlasting Energy

Physics – Energy



Have you sat on a roller coaster and wondered why it picks up speed when going downwards? Energy is all around us- from chemical energy in batteries, to elastic energy in springs and kinetic energy in moving objects!

In this workshop, students will learn about the various forms of energy and explore the energy conversion between different forms.

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# **Optics: Vision for the Future**

Physics – Interactions



"Everything we hear is an opinion, not a fact. Everything we see is a perspective, not the truth." - Marcus Aurelius, Philosopher, Roman Emperor (121 - 180)

Ever wondered how we see objects or even how rainbows form? Since the ancient Egyptian period, the study of optics has led to many new discoveries and inventions, such as spectacles- something most of us can't live without.

Students will explore the reflection and refraction of light through cool demonstrations and hands-on activities!

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### Waves and their Functions

Physics – Energy and Interactions



Can you imagine a pitch black and totally silent world? That is what the world would be like without waves. Since the discovery of the electromagnetic spectrum in the 19th century, waves have been an integral part of our lives- not only to see and hear, but also in the use of broadcasting, cooking and even in medical fields!

Join this workshop to learn about the electromagnetic spectrum, sound and their various uses in our daily lives!

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### Aerodynamics Physics – Interactions



After the fixed-wing model of an airplane was proposed by George Cayley in 1799, it took approximately another hundred years for that machine to be lifted off the ground. Lives of brilliant minds such as Otto Lilienthal and Percy Pilcher were sacrificed during the process of understanding aerodynamics.

What are the different forces acting on a plane while it is in the air? How does the structure of an object affect its flight? In this workshop, we will be looking into the basics of aerodynamics through fun hands-on and simple explanations. Solve mysteries on the flight of planes and learn the physics of flight today!

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### **Circuits and Electronics**

Physics – Systems



What would life be like without electricity? Do we rely on electricity like we do on food and water? Answers to these questions we don't dare dream and admit, but we know that since the first invention of a lamp powered by electricity in the 1800s, the use of electricity has become deeply entrenched in our daily lives, evolving as technology progresses.

In this workshop, students will learn about current electricity and their applications in fun and exciting games!

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# **Optics and Astronomy**

Physics – Energy and Interactions



In the 16th Century, Galileo Galilei invented the first telescope and used it to gaze at the countless stars. Since then, people all around the world have gained insight on how manipulating the path of electromagnetic waves like visible light has enabled us to look beyond the horizon, and discover new frontiers in Physics.

In this workshop, students will learn more about the properties of light and how it travels. They will explore concepts of reflection and refraction, and applying that in building their own handphone projector! After learning about lenses and their applications, they will build telescope and test for themselves how optics is applied in the real world.

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Come!

### Experiment | Explore | Excel

"Scientists have become the bearers of the torch of discovery in our quest for knowledge."

- Stephen Hawking

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Systems Everyday Life Interactions Diversity Energy

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	Simple Harmonic Motion	Physics	
	Building the Bionic 🕃 robot *NEW*	Engineering	
1300 – 1600	Soap making *NEW*	Chemistry	7799 1999
	Song of ice and fire	Chemistry	
	<u>You are what you eat</u>	Biology	
	Quantum Physics: The History of Light	Physics	







Energy



Diversity



Systems



Everyday Life



### Ice-cream making

Need we say more?

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## Soap-making

### Chemistry



Ever been entranced by the scents and designs of beautifully crafted soaps, and wonder how they are made? Now comes the chance for you to experience the process of making your own specially-designed soap!

Soap making basically consists of a chemical reaction between fats/oils and lye (what is this, you ask? Come for the workshop and find out!). It can be a wonderfully simple process, enriched by ingredients of choice such as naturally skin-nourishing components and vitamins, minerals, and beneficial oils. They will be smooth to touch, nice to smell, and of course, do what soaps are supposed to do in terms of cleaning.

Looking forward to an engaging afternoon designing a soap that is uniquely yours. It makes for a wonderful gift too.

Facilitator: Mrs Tan-Soong Seck Cher (Senior Teacher)
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## **Basically, Acids!**

#### Chemistry



The colours of hydrangea flowers depend on soil pH

Acids are a prominent feature of our daily life. We use it for cooking and preservative (ethanoic acid/ vinegar), while our stomach produce around 2 litres of hydrochloric acid, without which we will not be able to digest much of the food we eat. pH is a scale that provides an indication on the amount of acid that is present, and pH indicators can be made from many (often natural) sources all around us.

In this workshop, we will be

- 1. Exploring different reactions associated with acids
- 2. Preparing natural indicators and making our own pH wheel
- 3. Identifying the pH of unknown, 'mystery' solutions

Come join us for an afternoon filled with a explosion of COLOURS!

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# The Science of Spherification

### Chemistry

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Biology

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Biology

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## **DNA and Evolution**

Biology

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Image: The Jane Goodall Institute

Image: Science Magazine

It is often said that we are who and what we are because of our DNA. And it is same DNA that cause us humans *(homo sapiens)* to have similar properties as some other mammals such as primates (arms, legs, eyes amongst others), while yet showing much differences.

So what is DNA exactly?

In this workshop we will looking at 2 very similar yet different topics. First, we will look at the genome, this DNA that we are all made of, and the influence of DNA on our proper functioning.

Then, we will also learn about the studies on primates done by Professor Jane Goodall, and we will see how remarkably similar the behaviour of humans and primates are.

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### **Simple Harmonic Motion**

Physics – Systems and Interactions

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Ever wondered why the swings you ride can change directions on its own? Or how you can enjoy those thrills in bungee jumping? Have you observed what happens when you pull a string on the guitar or the violin? This is not simply the "wave motion" you're thinking, but something more simple!

In this workshop, you will get acquainted with Simple Harmonic Motion - the science of oscillations in pendulums and what happens when a spring is compressed. You would even get to make and conduct an experiment with your own pendulum!

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# Building the Bionic 🐷 robot

Engineering – Systems

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Are you fascinated by how toys work on the inside? Do you love tinkering around and making things? Then this is the workshop for you!

We will be guiding you through step-by-step instructions on how build a walking bionic bear robot, using laser cut wood parts made right here in NUS High! You will also get to design anything you want the bear to hold!

Facilitator: Mr Kenneth Ho Jun Hao (Outreach Educator) & NUS High Engineering Interest Group Date and Time: 12<sup>th</sup> Nov, 0900 – 1200 hrs Target Level: Primary 5 and 6 Class size: 24 students Maximum sign up per school: 10 students Venue: NUS High School, 20 Clementi Avenue 1, 129957 Registration: Please email <u>davinci@highsch.nus.edu.sg</u> to register by 14 Oct 2019. Cost: Free of charge

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## **Quantum Physics: The History of Light**

Physics – Systems and Interactions

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What is the nature of light and how does it work? This is the very question that has been bothering major civilizations like the Greeks, Arabs and Egyptians for thousands of years. The behaviour of light has pitted great scientists like Isaac Newton, Einstein and Bohr against each other in their quests to understand the way our universe functions.

This workshop takes a trip down the history of Physics to understand how we have come to the current understanding of light, and the birth of Quantum Mechanics. We will also investigate one of the ways Quantum Technologies is shaping our present and the future – Quantum Communications and Cryptography.

Join us this Nobel Winter camp and bend the rules of human experience to understand the hidden and breathtaking realm of Quantum Mechanics!

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### **Street Luge** *Physics – Energy and Interactions*

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Fastest car wins!

In this workshop, students will make a simple unpowered car that will race down a ramp. Students will learn about:

- Friction & ways of reducing friction
- Energy Conversion
- Gravitational PE
- Kinetic Energy (translational & rotational)
- Speed

Facilitator: Mr Soh Kwan Seng Clifton (Senior Teacher) Date and Time: 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, 0900 – 1200 hrs Target Level: Primary 5 and 6 Class size: 24 students Maximum sign up per school: 10 students Venue: NUS High School, 20 Clementi Avenue 1, 129957 Registration: Please email <u>davinci@highsch.nus.edu.sg</u> to register by 14 Oct 2019. Cost: Free of charge

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## Electromagnetism

Physics – Systems & Energy

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In 1821, Michael Faraday, built two devices to produce what he called "electromagnetic rotation". One of these devices, the homopolar motor, causes a continuous circular motion due to a circular magnetic force around a wire that extended into a pool of mercury in which a magnet was placed; the wire would then rotate around the magnet if supplied with current from a battery. These experiments and inventions formed the foundation of modern electromagnetic technology.

In this workshop, students will be exposed to experiments involving electromagnetism and learn about concepts such as static electricity and current electricity. They will also get to build their very own homopolar motor that they can bring home! So join us for a truly electrifying 3 hour workshop!

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Come!

### Experiment | Explore | Excel

"Scientists have become the bearers of the torch of discovery in our quest for knowledge."

- Stephen Hawking

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