

King David scientists freak out

Science and mathematics, two of the most boring and difficult subjects in the world, right?

Not when the Freaky Science show is in town.

The roadshow, which brings science and mathematics to life in a magical, interactive fashion, recently visited King David Victory Park primary. Its goal was to end the negative perception of these two tough but infinitely rewarding subjects.

"With both mathematics and science dropped at an alarming rate when pupils make their subject choice at the end of Grade 9, our youth edutainment

company came up with a novel way of countering this trend," said Tanya Vandenberg of Three Ring Circus.

"The Freaky Science show is aimed at Grade 2 to 4s to get 'em while they're young. By making mathematics and science easy-to-grasp and fun for the very young, the show hopes to lessen the intimidating nature of these subjects."

The show is headed by a 'nutty' professor, who enlists the help of her audience to carry out a variety of scientific tests.

By performing experiments on everyday household goods, such as flour, milk and balloons, children are able to

go back home and replicate what they have seen at the show. The result is that difficult concepts become more accessible and children are left with a yearning to learn more.

"It's too late to change children's minds about science in school. We try, instead, to show them how much fun it is while they still have a powerful sense of wonder. And we'd just love it if we help create a generation of kids who want to grow up and become ultra-cool, ultra-successful scientists and mathematicians," added Vandenberg.

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King David Victory Park primary pupils participate in the Freaky Science show.

