

Greetings, Family!

The world is a place where things are on the move. Everywhere there is motion, there are forces acting upon objects, whether it is a door closing or planets moving in their orbits through space. In this unit, children will be learning about some of these forces, including friction and magnetism. They will also learn how simple machines use force to help us move things.

You can make science come alive for your child by pointing out everyday examples of forces—children using playground equipment, someone hanging laundry on a clothesline, someone hoisting a flag, or even someone using an electric can opener.

For this unit, we will be doing many hands-on activities about force, motion, machines, and magnets. Can you donate any of these items? If so, we need to receive your donated materials by _____.

- balls
- masking tape
- bar magnets
- rubber bands
- small toy cars
- heavy thread

Finally, we could use your help in the classroom. Do you or other family members have any particular interest or special experience with this topic? Would you be able to help with the activities? If so, please fill out the form below and have your child return it to class.

Thank you very much for your help!

Family Newsletter

Unit F, Motion and Forces

Parent: _____ Student: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____