

To: Subject Advisors

: Teachers

: Parents and Caregivers of NS Tech Learners

Topic: Making a home-made model of a rocket **Message Objective(s)**: To make a rocket model

One of the critical process skills for NSTech Grade 4 learners involves making models. This activity will encourage learners to make a model of a rocket.

You will need to do this activity outside.

Materials

- Bicarbonate Soda, Vinegar, 3x Straws/pencils of equal length, Plastic bottle, Duct Tape, Stopper/Cork, 4cm x 6cm Cardboard

Method

- 1. Tie the three straws using the duct tape around the plastic bottle as shown in the diagram below
- 2. Fold the cardboard paper into a cone funnel like shape
- 3. Put a tablespoonful of Bicarbonate Soda into the bottle
- 4. Pour in half a cup of Vinegar into the bottle
- 5. Close the bottle with a tight fitting cork/stopper ensuring no leakages
- 6. Immediately turn the bottle ensuring that it stands on the three straws
- 7. Move about 5m away and observe what happens



This activity will inspire curiosity in our learners and a deep desire question and search for more knowledge.

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