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Young bright sparks learn about science and safety in lessons

SCHOOL pupils did some 'hair-raising' experiments to learn about electricity.

Youngsters from Morelands Primary got a lesson in science and safety from **National Grid** staff.

Members of a National Grid project team, which has been upgrading Lovedean substation, visited the school in Waterlooville to teach pupils about construction site safety and to promote Stem (science, technology, engineering and maths) subjects.

Pupils got to wear high-visibility safety jackets and

hard hats as safety mascot Ivor Goodsite explained the dangers of entering a building site unsupervised and how construction workers stay safe.

Mad Science presenters 'Cosmic Chris' and 'Super Sian' carried out some exciting electricity experiments as pupils and teachers built electricity circuits and had a hair-raising experience using a Van der Graaf generator.

Nina Poscotis, acting deputy headteacher at Morelands, said: 'It was a brilliant day for all the pupils.

'It was clear they absolutely loved the mad science sessions and, as a teacher, knowing they now have valuable knowledge about the dangers of construction sites is really comforting, especially with a big building project starting at our school this summer.

'I'm extremely grateful to National Grid for organising the initiative and delivering a great day.'

Chinedu Orji, project manager, said: 'We hope some of those who took part have been inspired to pursue a career in engineering.'