

# Science Fair Parent Letter

Dear Students and Parents:

It's time to start working our Science Fair! Enclosed is a schedule outlining due dates and important information regarding your child's project. Ample time has been scheduled and work has been spread out, so students can complete the work at a comfortable pace.

This is a **major** project and will represent a **significant portion** of your child's grade for this grading period. The primary objective of this project is to have students approach a problem scientifically. This includes:

1. Asking questions and forming hypotheses
2. Creating experiments to test those hypotheses
3. Organizing data and drawing conclusions
4. Writing about scientific research

The project must be **experimental** in nature as opposed to research oriented. In other words, students must do a test, survey, or experiment to determine the answer to their question instead of just looking it up in a book. We encourage students to pick topics that they are genuinely interested in, since they will be working on these projects for the next several weeks. Topics must also be "**original**" - something students do not already know.

I am looking forward to working with you to make this a valuable learning experience for your child. I appreciate your support on this important project. As acknowledgment and part of your child's homework, please sign, date, and return the bottom portion of this letter by **November 20th**.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marilu Brewer  
Ms. Carolyn Sartain

Please return the acknowledgment form and the student topic and purpose by November 20th.

I have reviewed the Science Fair information and calendar with my child, \_\_\_\_\_, (Printed Name of Child) and we understand the requirements for a successful Science Fair Project.

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Parent Signature

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Student Signature

**PROPOSAL/Purpose- DUE November 20th**

For my science fair project my topic

is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am asking this question:

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**Science Fair Project due: December 9th** (Students must have all steps included on their board.)

List of websites with topics and ideas

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/projects.html>

<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/article/40-cool-science-experiments-web>

<http://www.science-fair-guide.com/>

