

Flowcrete Host Flooring Fun Day for Youngsters



Children from a South Cheshire primary school took time to explore the world beneath their feet during a visit to Flowcrete, at our UK base in Sandbach, Cheshire.

Organised by Children Challenging Industry, the visit was part of a project to show young children how science and industry can be used to process raw materials into a marketable finished product. The day was organised by Sue Andrews, an advisory teacher at Chemicals North West, part of the University of York's chemistry department, which runs Children Challenging Industry.

The day began with a visit by the class of ten-year-olds, and their teachers, to a local quarry to see how sand is extracted, before heading to Flowcrete's headquarters to see science come alive. Dressed in white coats, safety goggles and hard hats, the children then had a go at mixing different coloured sands.

They also visited the warehouse and spent some time examining sand particles in the laboratory – and learnt how the raw materials are processed to deliver top-flight floors installed at locations across the globe, including Wembley Stadium and Ascot Racecourse.

"The aim of the day was to take the mystery out of science and industry for the children, by showing them how what they learn in the classroom is used in a real life context. You never know, some may be inspired to take up a career in the chemical industry at a later date."

(Sue Andrews, Chemicals North West)