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CROYDON BROWNIES REACH FOR THE STARS AT SCIENCE MUSEUM

DATE: Brownies from Croydon set off on an exciting adventure to the Science Museum this weekend, exploring the wonders of science and discovery during a special outing for Girlguiding members.

On Saturday, the girls delved into interactive exhibits and hands-on activities that sparked their imaginations and ignited their passion for science.

From the fascinating world of space exploration to the mysteries of the human body, the museum offered a whole host of opportunities for the Brownies to engage with science in a fun and meaningful way. The girls learned about women who have gone in to space, helping them to know that girls can do anything.

Maya, 9, from 1st Croydon Brownies, said: "Visiting the Science Museum was amazing! I loved the experiments we did, and I learned so much about space. It was great to share this day with my friends!"

Leader of 1st Croydon Brownies Jane McDonald said: "The girls had an incredible time exploring the exhibits at the Science Museum. It's fantastic to see them so excited about learning and working together. We're already planning our next unit meeting to discuss what we discovered and how we can incorporate more science into our activities."

Dr. Sarah Johnson, Education Officer at the Science Museum, commented: "We are delighted to host Girlguiding members at the museum, fostering a love for science and discovery. It's wonderful to see young girls engaged in such a vibrant learning environment."

In addition to a fun filled space adventure, the activities saw the Brownies earn their Space badge, encouraging them to continue their scientific exploration in the future.

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Brownies is a relaxed, welcoming space where girls aged 7-10 years can have fun, learn and be themselves with good friends.

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About Girlguiding

Girlguiding is the UK's largest youth organisation dedicated completely to girls, with around 385,000 members. Girls can do anything. We help them know that, whether they're 4 or 18 or in between. All girls have a home at Girlguiding – whoever they are, and wherever they are. We show them a world of possibilities, big and small. We help them think big and be bold in a space where they can be themselves, get creative, explore, and have fun. We're a powerful collective voice – with girls, led by girls – changing the world for the better.

We're over 300,000 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers, who come together to laugh, learn, explore and have adventures, in communities across the UK and virtually. We're almost 80,000 volunteers who make guiding happen by giving time, talent and enthusiasm. Registered Charity No 306016 girlguiding.org.uk

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