Static Electricity Activity 3

Equipment:

An inflated balloon, woollen material (a scarf is ideal), hair, a piece of paper torn into small pieces, a selection of other material to test (pieces of knitting yarn, packing foam, cardboard, aluminium foil, pieces of toothpicks, pieces of cloth material etc.)

Method:

1) Tear the piece of paper into tiny pieces and place on the table.

2) Rub the balloon vigorously, in one direction, on your hair or against the woollen material.

3) Quickly hold the balloon near the pieces of paper without touching them. What happens? Try the experiment again with different materials.

Static Electricity Activity 4

Equipment:

An inflated balloon, woollen material or hair, an empty aluminium can

Method:

1) Place the can on the table on its curved side.

2) Rub the balloon vigorously, in one direction, on your hair or against the woollen material.

3) Quickly hold the rubbed side of the balloon near to the aluminium can without touching it. What happens?







