Mobil Engineeer bridges learning at Altona North Primary

Mobil Altona Refinery’s Ambassador Program gives local schools the opportunity to enhance their maths and science curriculum by offering engineering experts who can talk to students about relevant classroom topics.

This month, Refinery Coordinator Michael Baker spent some time with Altona North Primary School Grade 5/6 students discussing their recently completed Bridges Projects.

Michael was able to relate some of the scientific concepts used in the students’ bridge building to real-life scenarios, discussing scientific concepts such as gravity and motion along the way.

Students also gained an insight into what it’s like to work as an engineer at Altona Refinery, and were particularly interested in what initially led Michael to choose engineering as a career.

“Although these students are only in Grades 5 and 6, it was clear that some of them were already considering careers in science and maths for their future, which is great,” said Michael.

“There were a lot of questions about what it's like to work at the refinery, what's involved in my role day-to-day and what different types of engineering careers are available in a workplace like the Altona Refinery.

“Hearing directly from someone who works in the field can have a really positive impact, especially for students who already think they might be interested in an engineering career one day,” he said.