

To begin this academic year, the children in UKS2 will be discovering Earth & Beyond in the Mission Control topic.

Below are a number of suggested activities that will complement the topic and enhance understanding of this fascinating subject. Please encourage your child to bring any work that they complete at home into school so that we can recognise and celebrate their efforts and achievements.

Create a new mnemonic to help recall the names of the planets and the order from the sun. Can you teach it to the rest of the class?!

MVEMJSUN

Write a poem to describe one of the planets - experiment with different styles of poetry.



Use the NASA website below to look at the maps of the moon. Can you identify any of the places on the map on International Observe the Moon Night - which is on Saturday October 4th?



NASA Moon Maps

Print off and read the short sciencefiction story 'The Star Beast' by Nicholas Stuart Gray. Can you draw / design 'The Star Beast'?

The Star Beast

Can you follow the instructions to make your own planisphere (star map)? You might need an adult or friend to help you with the trickier bits. Head outside and see if it works!

Make a planisphere

Biscuits, buns and cakes! Can you make some space themed treats for the class? Remember no nuts please!

