

Reception Spring 1 Space

Key Vocabulary

Planet -An object in space that orbits round a star.

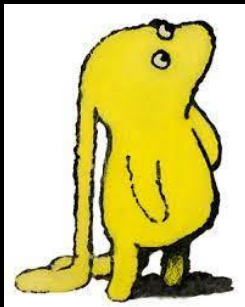
Solar System -A collection of planets and their moons in orbit around the sun, together with asteroids and comets.

Orbit -The curved path an object takes to travel around a star or planet.

Astronaut- A person who is trained to travel in a spacecraft

Constellation - A group of stars that looks like a particular shape in the sky and has been given a name

Alien – An extraterrestrial being; a visitor from outer space.



Key Texts

Aliens Love Underpants by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort

Beegu by Alexis Deacon

Bringing down the Moon by Jonathon Emmett.

Whatever Next by Jill Murphy.

The boy who switched off the Sun



Key Facts

There are 8 planets in our solar system alongside Pluto, a dwarf planet.

The sun is a big star. Stars are burning balls of fire.

Some planets have moons e.g. Titan is Saturn's biggest moon.

The planets orbit the sun and gain heat from the sun's energy.

