



TEXAS SPACE TRIP 2018

28 January 2018

Dear Student and Parent / Carer,
Happy New Year Space Cadets.

We are now able to give details of the flights that have been booked for the trip. I've heard of families planning a second honeymoon whilst space cadets are away! We will be flying KLM from Glasgow to Schiphol and then on to Houston.

Date	Airports	Times	Flight No.
14/10/18	GLA-AMS-IAH	0605-0845/0950-1310	KL1470/KL661
20/10/18	IAH-AMS-GLA	1505-0715/1205-1240	KL662/KL1475

By now everyone ought to have received their Space School Cap. Please wear this for all events and especially when we travel. It is an important way to locate you and we will be taking over twice the number of students that we took last time. We will be ordering t-shirts after the summer holidays when the late growth spurts hopefully will have finished.

Let me give you an update on the financial situation

I have written the bid to the Holywood Trust and just need to finalise this. This is not an insignificant volume of work. Our bag pack in Morrison's on 23rd December raised £970 and the Moffat Christmas Craft event a further £219. It appears to be the same people turning up for events with some people never showing, or appearing at the shop but not participating. There are many people that really need help with the fund raising, some are running a school shop, which although not raising huge sums is at least showing a commitment to raise funds. It is therefore being considered that those people who have not assisted in the fund raising do not benefit from the same input from the funds raised. Many students are working over the weekend and find helping hard, but there are other ways to show commitment to fund raising. Lesley Sloan, a real advocate for the Space School has been in touch about Enterprising Activities. This is a great idea, but I currently cannot take this on myself as I am funding from other streams and have to update the school curriculum.

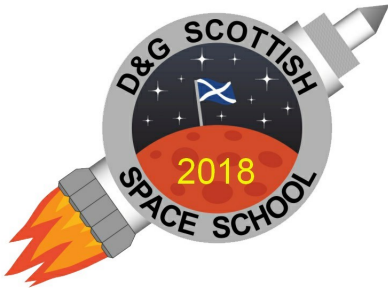
EON at Stephen's Croft have been very generous and have committed two thousand pounds, although this is the only success I had from the vast number of letters I wrote in October.

Our next task is a bag pack on 10th February at Tesco in Lockerbie.

We also need to look to start our sponsored event which we can all take part in and raise funds, asking family, friends, teachers, contacts etc for a sponsored event. Last time we had a successful "Walk to the Moon" event comprising each student trying to walk 11k steps per day as an indication of how far away the moon is.

We could adapt it this year to "Walk around the Moon" This is a distance of 11,000 km, which would give an average of 10,000 steps per person per day if we shared this out. If we allow "walking and cycling" I think collectively we could do this.

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Alison Morford has arranged the bag pack for Tesco Lockerbie on 10th February 10am-4pm, please sign you or a family member to help out. We are also looking for buskers for the door who can raise additional funds. Last time this was really successful.

Gregor's mum is trying to arrange a gin tasting event at Lockerbie Town Hall on 24th March, with tickets being £15 for those who will be tasting and £5 for those who want to turn up without the gin! Please get in touch if you can help.

I think it would ease issues if we sent everyone the collective email address list. If there is anyone who does not wish to have their email circulated please can you let us know by the end of January so that we can remove you from the shared list.

Please keep up the payments, and if there are problems with keeping up payments, please contact Mr Hargreaves as early as possible to see if we can re-schedule the payments.

Don't forget to get in touch if you have any inspirational ideas and hopefully we can have more parents who can work as a fund raising committee to organise some more events. Remember the more we raise, the less we all pay and I'd like you to pay very little, although it is worth every penny.


For more details of the trip visit

<https://www.mrsphysics.co.uk/surprisephysics/category/spacephysics/>

Where I will try to post more updates. I might be changing the link so go to Surprise Physics and choose Space Physics from the dropdown menu.

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