The Sky at Night

Home Project

Due: Thursday 12 September 2013

- This project will be presented in the form of a book.
- Each page must have a title and border.
- All information presented must be written in your own words.
- Projects may be handwritten or computer generated.
- All pictures must be labelled.
- A bibliography must be included.

Section 1: MOON RESEARCH

Using a variety of sources, research information about the moon under the following subheadings:

- The Moon’s surface
- Weather/atmosphere on the moon
- The cycle of the moon
- The moon and its effect on the tides
- First man on the moon
- My observations (what else did you observe in the night sky? List at least one observation and write a paragraph about your finding)

Section 2: ILLUSTRATIONS/POEM

1. A hand drawn illustration depicting 3 phases of the moon.
2. Hand drawn illustrations of a sunset and a sunrise.
3. A creative and imaginative poem about the moon. NO ACROSTIC poems!

Section 3: MOON DIARY

The moon has a cycle that takes one month. Your task is to observe the moon each day and record your observations using the Moon Diary provided. It is very important that you try to observe the moon at the same time and from the same place each day i.e. the balcony at 6pm, the back door at 7pm, the dog kennel at 8pm!

Each night as you observe the moon you will illustrate what you see on your Moon Diary, as well as a brief description. This may include its brightness, size or clarity, but also the weather conditions i.e. cloudy, raining, fog, poor visibility etc.
You may use any art medium you like to create your illustrations. Your pictures will be part of your book, so keep them no bigger than A4 size. **NO COMPUTER GENERATED ILLUSTRATIONS!**

The Sky at Night project will be completed over 4 weeks, enough time for you to view the moon for a complete month (i.e. one cycle)

**You must bring your Moon Diary and ongoing research to school each Thursday to share with your teacher and classmates.**

**A checklist of musts:**

- A title page including the name of project and your name!
- Borders on every page
- All illustrations labelled
- Neat page layout/font/handwriting
- Projects which are hand-written must be in pen
- Proof read and edited
- Bibliography which shows a variety of resources used
- **MOON RESEARCH**: a comprehensive and well-written description and account of the moon, written in own words.

- **ILLUSTRATIONS/POEM**: careful, imaginative, original and beautifully presented illustrations and a thoughtfully written poem.

- **MOON DIARY**: neatly drawn depictions of the moon (use grey lead pencil) and neatly written observations.