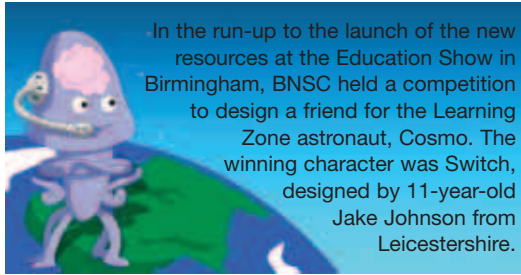


Lessons for Young Space Cadets



Children as young as four can learn about the excitement of space with new teaching resources launched by the British National Space Centre (BNSC).

The new BNSC resources will help teachers to inspire very young children to learn about our planet and encourage them to find out more about space. The lessons are easy to download from the BNSC Learning Zone website and are tailored to Key Stage 1 of the UK National Curriculum (children aged four to seven).

Children across the UK will discover why the Moon shines, why we cast a shadow and what happens when the Sun goes behind a cloud.

Teachers can take their class on a journey around the Solar System and look at how plants and animals grow here on Earth.

The materials help with English and maths lessons as well as science, with sections dedicated to literacy and numeracy in a space setting.

The BNSC has a wide range of resources for students in Key Stages 1 to 4 (ages four to 16). The web-based lesson plans and worksheets help teachers and their students explore the science and technology behind ground-breaking events like Europe's first mission to Mars, as well as look at how humans impact on the Earth and find out more about the Solar System. All BNSC education materials are tied to the National Curriculum and are a unique way to teach science, maths and design technology.

Visit the BNSC's Learning Zone website at www.bnsc.gov.uk/learningzone or contact fiona.hatton@bnsc.gsi.gov.uk for more information.

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