

The Solar System & Space

	Theme	Geography	Circle & Share Day	Montessori	<u>Enrichment Overview</u>
Week 1 10/1 -10/5	Solar System & Space *Planets *Layers of the Earth	North America *N.A. Map *Lake & Island	Calendar Routine Discussion: Fall Weather Book: Fletcher and the Falling Leaves Share Day (Friday): Fall item to contribute to Sensory Box	Zoology: Mammals Botany: Pumpkins Science: Hot/Cold Art: Hole Punching Grace/Courtesy: Push in a chair	<p>Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria, where his father Leopold was a violinist and composer. He composed his first piece of music at age five; he had his first piece published when he was seven; and he wrote his first opera when he was twelve. By the time Wolfgang was 6, he was an excellent pianist and violinist. Children will learn about his life and listen to his different types of music compositions. Movement, Rhythm and songs will be continued from the previous month.</p> <p>Art: The artist of the month will be Frida Kahlo, was a Mexican painter. She was known for her surreal and very personal works. She was also influenced by native Mexican culture, shown in bright colors, with a mixture of realism and symbolism. Some of her work is seen at the Frida Kahlo Museum, found in her birthplace and home in suburban Mexico City.</p> <p>Cooking: Children will explore traditional dishes from the major North American countries. Mexico, USA & Canadian dishes will be created and tasted to discuss things that are similar and different. A fall and festive snack will be made in celebration of Halloween.</p> <p>Computer: Children will continue to practice and progress through ABCMouse.com to give them another medium to practice and reinforce their Montessori lessons. Each child’s progress will be tracked and is available for discussion with parents. Please see the office.</p> <p>Spanish: Names of the planets and parts of space will be taught so children can learn along with the monthly theme. The country of Mexico & Central America will be introduced as part of the Latin community but also as part of our continent. Movement, songs and games will also be part of Spanish enrichment.</p>
Week 2 10/8-10/12 * 10/8 Columbus Day *Fire Safety Week	Solar System & Space *Sun *Moon	North America *N.A. Animals *Flags- USA, Canada, Mexico	Calendar Routine Discussion: Fire Safety & Fire Drills Book: Fletcher and the Falling Leaves Share Day (Friday): Favorite Book	Zoology: Nocturnal Animals Botany: Apples Science: Hot/Cold Art: Apple Stamps Grace/Courtesy: Rolling a Rug	
Week 3 10/15 – 10/19	Solar System & Space *Stars *Comet	North America * N.A. Plants * Bay & Cape	Calendar Routine Discussion: Fall Animals Book: Fletcher and the Falling Leaves Share Day (Friday): Something that is shiny	Zoology: Owls Botany: Pumpkin Science: Life Cycle of Pumpkin Art: Owl Art Grace/Courtesy: Silent Game	
Week 4 10/22 – 10/26	Solar System & Space *Milky Way *Astronaut	North America * People, Culture & Traditions * Peninsula & Gulf	Calendar Routine Discussion: Johnny Appleseed Book: Fletcher and the Falling Leaves Share Day (Friday): A photo from Halloween past	Zoology: Bats Botany: Apples Science: Life Cycle of an Apple Art: Bat Art Grace/Courtesy: Carrying a Chair	
Week 5 10/29 – 11/2 *10/31 Halloween	Solar System & Space *Space Shuttle *Space Station	North America * N. A. Landmarks * Isthmus & Straight	Calendar Routine Discussion: Halloween Book: Fletcher and the Falling Leaves Share Day (Friday): Something that begins with e, f, g or h	Zoology: Spiders Botany: Carve a Pumpkin Science: Labeling a Diagram of Animal Art: Spider Art Grace/Courtesy: Lunch Cleanup	

*Each child has an individualized lesson plan in alignment with the Montessori Curriculum. This calendar represents an overview of concepts that will be introduced over the month and may not reflect exact lessons for your child.