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# What's online

We pick the best astronomy events and resources available online this month

PICK OF THE MONTH

## Space Racers



Fun space-themed activities for preschoolers to 11 year olds



Counting down to adventure: an entertaining show that's packed with real space science

Parents of young children may already know the animated kids TV show *Space Racers* from Youtube or Netflix. It is produced in collaboration with NASA experts and follows Eagle, Robyn, Hawk, Starling and the cadets of Stardust Space Academy as they explore the Solar System. Each programme layers real space science into the stories and features catchy songs about topics such as gravity, the constellations and the Sun.

Now there are free printable *Space Racers* activities online, from monthly space-focused calendars and constellation colouring sheets to singalong lyrics and planetary matching games. For all those lockdown parents-turned-teachers there are also great STEM-focused lesson plans, pitching subjects like heliophysics, Earth science, planetary science and astrophysics at a level suitable for preschool to Key Stage 2 (up to the age of 11). You'll find resources focused particularly on the Moon and NASA's Mars InSight mission too, for youngsters keen to go a bit deeper. [www.spaceracers.com](http://www.spaceracers.com)