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No rings round these pupils

CHILDREN at Midsomer Norton Primary School have stars in their eyes, thanks to science teacher Simon Ould.

This week, he showed them a breathtaking simulation of the night sky on the ceiling of his Space Odyssey mobile planetarium.

The planetarium is a mobile dome that can be

set up in school halls to bring the wonders of the night sky to schoolchildren.

"It's been fantastic," said the school's head, Damian Knollys. "The children loved it, and had time to ask questions about the stars, too."

Mr Ould is based in Devon and has left full-time science teaching

to go on the road with his dome.

He said: "This was the very first school I came to when I set up in November 2004, so it has been wonderful to come back here."

"I now cover the whole of the South West, and 43,000 children have visited the Space Odyssey dome since I set up."

FANTASTIC FUN: Joe and Lily, pupils at Midsomer Norton Primary School, enjoy the Space Odyssey mobile planetarium brought to the school by science teacher Simon Ould

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