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## The sky at night's ... wicked ... say St Aubyn's stargazers

THE STARS and planets are 'wicked' and 'cool', according to pupils at St Aubyn's School, Tiverton.

And they were amazed by the mobile Space Odyssey planetarium which came to the school as the conclusion to National Science Week.

The planetarium is an inflatable dome inside which Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, Simon Ould, taught the children about light and dark, night and day, planets, constellations and Greek legends.

With the help of the latest multimedia technology, Simon took the children through history, from the myths and legends connected to the stars, via the International Space Station to the future and missions to Mars.

At the end of the show, Simon recreated the night sky using a projector to cover the dome's roof with stars.

Head of Science Simon Swain said: "When they came out of the show the children were full of questions about the stars - they all want to be astronauts and astronomers now!"



■ A Space Odyssey: Charlie Watson, 10, and Milly Maunder, 10, took a closer look at the planets when lecturer Simon Ould, Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, visited St Aubyn's School, Tiverton. 0503m7402.