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**WELCOME TO ASTRO, THE
PARTNER SCHOOL SCIENCE
PROGRAM NEWSLETTER!**

**EACH WEEK WHEN YOU CHECK
GFTSE.ORG, YOU WILL FIND
COOL PICTURES, FUN FACTS,
SPACE NEWS, AND MORE....**

**TO GET THE MOST OUT OF
BEING IN THE PARTNER
SCHOOL SCIENCE PROGRAM,
MAKE SURE TO SEND
MESSAGES TO YOUR E-PAL AS
OFTEN AS YOU CAN!**

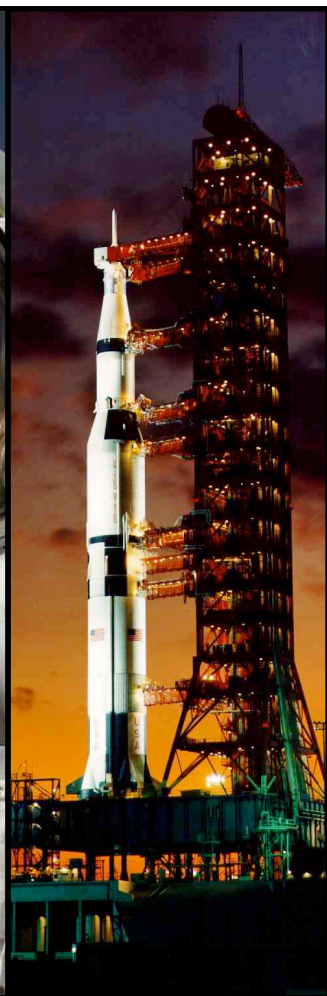
**DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU
WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN ASTRO?
IF SO, ASK YOUR TEACHER TO
SEND AN E-MAIL TO
TYILDIRIM@GFTSE.ORG WITH
THE PHOTO, STORY, OR LINK.
YOU MIGHT JUST SEE IT IN
NEXT WEEK'S ASTRO!**

**TEACHERS CAN SUBMIT
PICTURES AND STORIES OF
THEIR CLASS TO BE INCLUDED
IN THE PARTNER SCHOOL
SPOTLIGHT SECTION!**

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ASTRO NEWS: CULTURE CAPSULES



Istek Acibadem School - Turkey



Tefen Experimental School - Israel

To get to know your E-Pal friends better while learning more about their culture, we asked you and your teachers to prepare a "Culture Capsule" that represents your school, country, and you! Inside these culture capsules we have found letters from your E-Pals, chocolates, snacks, local music, pictures, and much more!

Schools that are expecting to receive a capsule from their Partner Schools should be receiving them in the next 10 days. If you have not yet made a culture capsule to share with your E-Pal friends around the world, ask your teacher what you can bring to add to the capsule!

Partner Schools who didn't participate in the Culture Capsule project this time around have one more opportunity! Capsules must be received by March 21st.

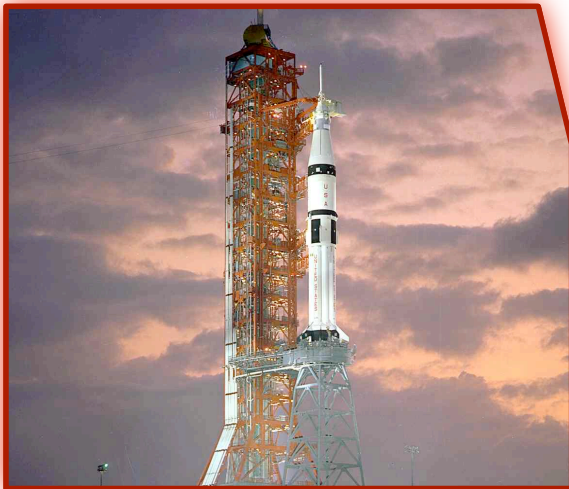
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Space Camp Turkey
Aegean Free Zone
Gazimir-Izmir 35410, TURKEY

APOLLO-SOYUZ



Crew Photo



Getting ready for launch!



**Russians and Americans
chat on orbit!**

Apollo-Soyuz was a joint space mission between the United States and the Soviet Union, the first of many partnerships to come.

On July 15, 1975, two spacecrafts launched from opposite sides of the world with the goal of meeting each other in orbit. The American Apollo Capsule launched from Kennedy Space Center in Florida, and the Soviet Soyuz Capsule launched from the Baikonur Cosmodome in what is today Kazakhstan.

The mission consisted of three American astronauts and two Russian cosmonauts. One of the American astronauts was Deke Slayton, an original member of the Mercury program, who was unable to fly at the time due to a heart condition.

Once in space, the astronauts and cosmonauts exchanged the first international handshakes in space and started a new era of international collaboration in science and exploration. Exchanging gifts, flags, and food, the astronauts talked to one another while giving tours and information about their own spacecrafts.

Since then, many international missions have been done between the two countries. Today the US and Russia are the two biggest supporters of the International Space Station. There is always at least one American and one Russian working side by side together on the ISS.

SPACE WORD SEARCH PUZZLE



See How Many Space
Words You Can Find!

Check Back Next Week
For The Solution!

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