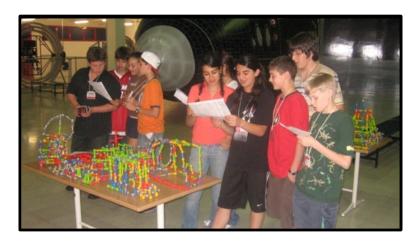


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WELCOME TO ASTRO, THE PARTNER SCHOOL SCIENCE PROGRAM NEWSLETTER!

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!

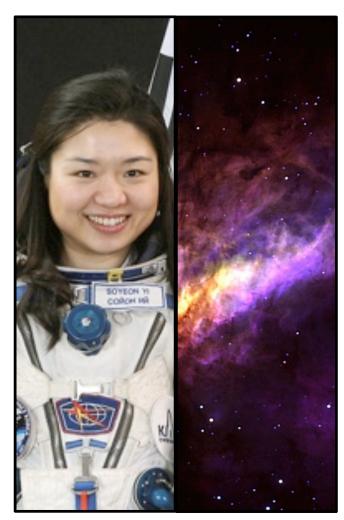
DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN ASTRO? IF SO, ASK YOUR TEACHER TO SEND AN E-MAIL TO TYILDIRIM@GFTSE.ORG WITH THE PHOTO, STORY, OR LINK. YOU MIGHT JUST SEE IT IN NEXT WEEK'S ASTRO!

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

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NEW YORK PSSP REUNION

For the past several years, many students at The Mirabal Sisters Schools in New York City have attended Space Camp Turkey's E-Pal Week after participating in the Partner School Science Program.

Over the past five years, 28 students have traveled to Turkey for E-Pal week; 14 of these students attended a reunion on March 24 at their former school!

Mr. Victor Sta. Ana, their PSSP teacher for the first two years, made a surprise visit to the reunion hosted by the U.S. and Turkish coordinators of Global Friendship's PSSP, Marilyn Anderson and Tolga Yildirim.

When being interviewed by the local press, students remembered the fun time they had at Space Camp Turkey, the friends they met, and the life-changing experiences they had.

Inez, one of the first students to go to Turkey from New York with the Global Friendship's PSSP, said "I had a blast! It was nice to see the way things are outside of New York City. I made alot of friends that I am still in touch with!"

Everyone in the Partner School Science Program is very excited about this year's E-Pal Week; stay tuned to learn more about it!



Inez, a student from the first group to go to Turkey from her school.



Students with US Global Friendship Coordinator Marilyn Anderson.



E-PAL WEEK SPOTLIGHT: THE MISSION



The simulated space shuttle mission will be one of the many exciting activities at E-Pal week this summer at Space Camp Turkey!

Each team at Space Camp has its own space shuttle mission inside Space Camp Turkey's full-size replica of the Space Shuttle Discovery crew cabin and mission control.

Your team at Space Camp will be made up of 12-13 kids from different countries, including some of the E-Pals you have been chatting with through e-mails and video conferences!

Your counselor will assign you an important position in the mission; the shuttle can not launch into space and come back safely without the help of everyone on your team!





SPACE WEBSITES

NASA For Kids!

This website is full of fun games, puzzles, pictures, and more!

Click games to try your hand at launching a spacecraft to Mars, remembering all those space words with a memory game, and find out what happens in black holes!



Open a browser and go to:

http://spaceplace.nasa.gov

Check back next week for morel







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