Last week Grades 2-6 were able to explore the solar system when the Australian Academy of Science visited Orbost. Staff and students were able to experience travel through the solar system inside a dome tent while Nick explained what was happening. This is what the students shared after the activity:

The most interesting thing I learnt from Nick is that Uranus has frozen salty water and Jupiter is the first star we see at night. Bryce

Last week on Monday I learnt that stars [if connected by lines] form an image in the sky. Riley

Last week I learnt that Neptune has a layer of frozen salty water and that Venus has a very thick layer of gas that keeps the heat in. Adam

We learnt that most of the other stars are a lot bigger than our sun. We also learnt the Milky Way has heaps of Galaxies and that the earth moves to the right [anticlockwise]. Rahja

Last week I learnt that Venus may have once been a planet with life on it. Cassady

Last week we walked down to OSC to learn about the solar system. I learnt that Pluto isn't a planet, but a dwarf planet. Sara

Something that I thought was interesting was that Jupiter is the first star we see at night. Another [interesting] thing is that the Earth was made by 2 planets colliding. Stars don't come in one size even though that's what it seems! Uranus has frozen water in the core. Jimmy

Last week we went to a Science dome in the High School. Most of the stars look like they are in the same part in the sky but they are speeding through the sky and burning out. Mark

Last Tuesday we went into a big dome and we saw things from space. It was really cool. I learnt that the Milky Way is very long. Jessica

On Tuesday I learnt stars are big but far away. I also learnt that Earth has a thick blanket on it so we can have the right temperature [to survive]. Lastly, I learnt that it takes 3 days to get to the moon. Bella

I learnt that the Earth goes (spins) really fast. I learnt that you can draw lines in the sky [connecting stars] and make things [pictures]. Rianna

Last week on Tuesday we went to the High School to watch the science dome. I learned that people draw lines in between the stars to make animals. I learnt that stars are actually made out of fire [burning gases]. Amy

I didn't know that they are still trying to find out if Aliens are real. I [also] didn't know that asteroids come to Earth sometimes. Jasmine