# **Our Solar System**

As part of our solar system project, in History, year 3 have been learning about the moon landing. We were lucky enough to interview a selection of people who watched the moon landing first hand to really give us an idea of what a momentous occasion it was! We would like to say a special thank you to our volunteers who kept us captivated for the afternoon with their wonderful stories! We then started to think about how we would feel if someone we knew went up into space, and imagined ourselves in 1969. We wrote a diary entry for the day, imagining we knew Neil Armstrong! We also wrote detailed reports about the solar system and have been researching the invention of the telescope, thinking about how it has shaped scientific discovery. Below is a selection of our work.

## Dear Diary,

Today was an amazing day, because my old dad was the first man on the moon! I was at home eating dinner, it was spaghetti hoops- yum! We watched it live on the black and white TV altogether. It was slightly grainy, but we could see quite well. I felt really jealous and surprised, as I wished it was me up there!

I hope they manage to return to Earth safe and sound- I can't wait to celebrate! Goodbye Diary,

Jared Clothier-Pratts 3R

## Dear Diary,

Today was an absolutely amazing day because my brother, Neil Armstrong was the first ever man to land on the moon! I had just finished my ballet exam, and I was in the car listening to the radio- it was so interesting! I felt absolutely astonished when I heard my brother's name, and knew that it was him in the rocket, but I also felt worried at the same time. I listened to most of it on the radio, and watched a little on the TV. I celebrated by dancing to my favourite song.

I really, really hope they return to Earth safely.

## Chloe North 3R

#### The Solar System

Who knew that Pluto was a dwarf planet, Mercury was closest to the sun, and that there are nine planets in our solar system. But, if you already knew that, there might be some facts in this report you don't!

### Earth

Not a lot of people know that the Earth's outer layer is made of rock, and the inside lava. The layer of rock is made up of plates of rock. They move about a centimetre a year, slowly over time, these plates give way, and this is what causes earth quakes.

## The Sun

The Sun is the centre of the solar system, and is orbited by nine planets. The sun is actually a huge star. The light from the sun reaches the Earth in around eight minutes.

#### The Moon

The Moon is a huge chunk of rock floating around in space. For many years people have wondered why the Moon has those alien-like craters. So now I am going to tell you why- it is because meteors keep crashing into the moon, not because alien life forms live there!

Finally, has the solar system ad beyond ever made you wonder, wonder what is out there? I have one last question to trouble you dear reader- do you believe in the UFO? By Harriette Morgan 3R