

2021 Astronomy Events

Use this poster to plan when you are teaching the 'Earth and Space Science' component of the Australian Curriculum - Science. Note that it only lists easily visible predictable events. Further information and teaching resources can be found at www.nightskyonline.info.

Term 1

19 February

USA Robotic Rover *Perserverance* will land on Mars.

At a date to be determined, the first robotic helicopter on Mars will take flight.



19 February

Moon, Mars and Antares close in the evening sky.

March 29

Supermoon

Moon rise

Gold Coast - 6.21 pm AEST

Canberra - 7.37 pm AEDT

Term 2

April 27

Supermoon

May 26

Supermoon Total Lunar Eclipse. Maximum eclipse 9.19 pm AEST.

Moon rise

Gold Coast - 4.49 pm AEST

Canberra - 4.51 pm AEST



June 25

Supermoon

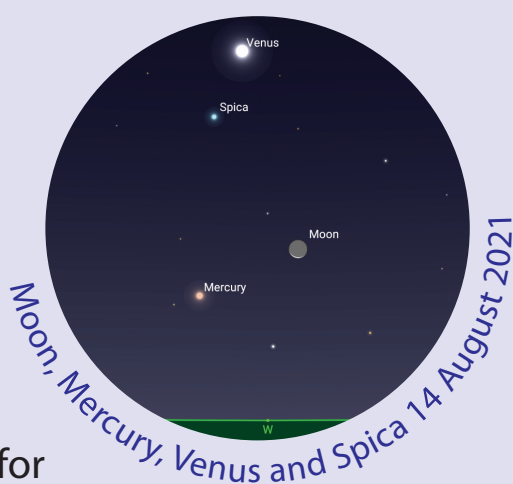
Term 3

August 2

Saturn at opposition

August 14

Mercury best placed for viewing in the evening sky



August 20

Jupiter at opposition

September 21

Mercury, Venus and the star Spica close in the evening twilight.



Term 4

10 October

Crescent Moon, Venus and Antares close. Early evening sky.

19 November

Partial Lunar Eclipse. Maximum eclipse occurs in the bright evening twilight. Look low above the North East horizon at 7.04 pm AEST / 8.04 pm AEDT.

Moon rise

Gold Coast - 6.13 pm AEST

Canberra - 7.46 pm AEDT

