



Welcome Explorers!

Welcome to the EXPLORE newsletter, your gateway to space exploration in the classroom!

On this newsletter, we have an exciting announcement to make: EXPLORE is launching its own **student competition**.



MARS AT MONSARAZ: EXPERIMENT DESIGN CHALLENGE

Propose a scientific experiment to be executed during the second analog Mars mission!



SUBMIT YOUR EXPERIMENT BY
1 MARCH 2026



MARS AT MONSARAZ: EXPERIMENT DESIGN CHALLENGE

We invite students to take on the role of scientists and propose a scientific experiment to be carried out during **EXPLORE-2 Mission**!

The **winning experiment** will be included in the **April 2026 Mission programme** and conducted at the Lake Alqueva Observatory. This work will also be featured in the **final mission report** and showcased at the **EXPLORE Community Days**!

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NEWS

Cyprus Welcomes EXPLORE

During the Public Outreach and Education Weekend of the 6th COSPAR Symposium, in Cyprus, EXPLORE was presented to an international group of teachers, students, planetarium staff and researchers.

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TEACHER TRAINING

EXPLORE at the Portuguese Science on Stage Festival 2025!

On 25 October, NUCLIO introduced 53 Portuguese teachers to the EXPLORE project during an interactive, hands-on workshop that took place during the Science on Stage Portugal 2025 Festival.

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NEWS

EXPLORE Helps to Expand Horizons at SPACE Week Nordeste

EXPLORE was presented by NUCLIO to a group of Brazilian teachers and university students during Space Week Nordeste 2025.

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SUMMER SCHOOL

Analog Astronaut Shares Experience at EXPLORE Summer School 2025

At this year's Summer School, held in Marathon, Greece, 6-11 July, participating teachers were able to meet an analog astronaut from the EXPLORE 1 mission, Nestoras.

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This newsletter will keep you up to date with what's happening in the project, bringing news and ideas about incorporating the project activities into your own lessons.

We hope you enjoy reading it – if you have any suggestions about what to include, we'd love to hear from you. Feel free to share it with your colleagues and friends!

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We would love to hear from you!