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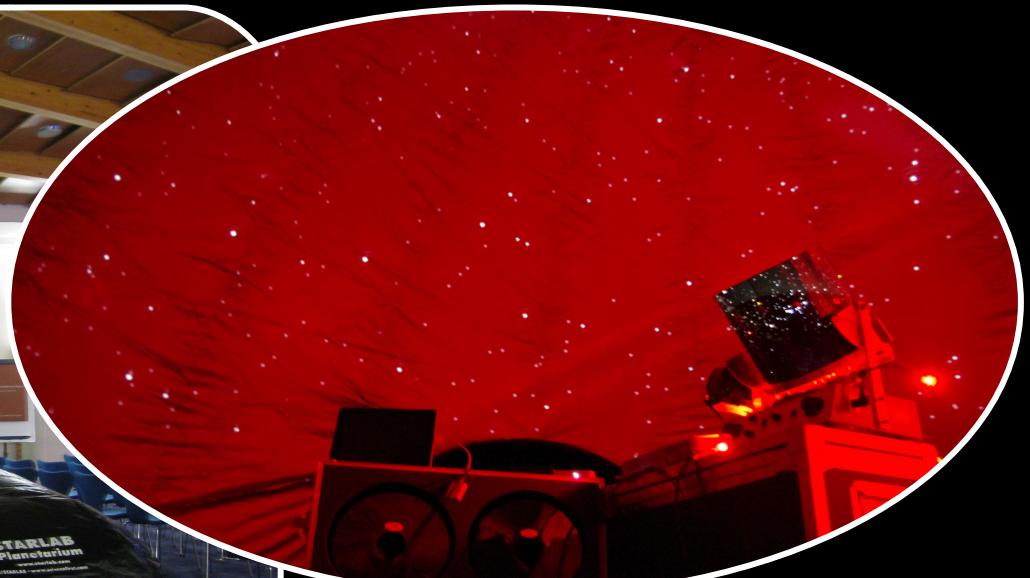
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- Set up in Summer 2011
- Over 2500 visitors in the first year alone
- 12 schools, three public outreach events (including BBC Stargazing 2012), and two groups visiting the University



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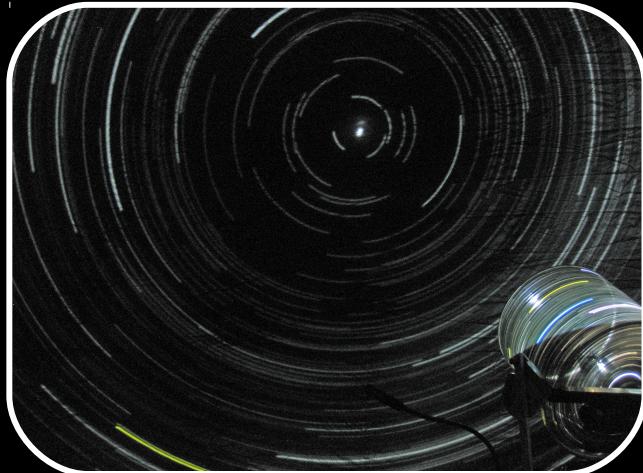
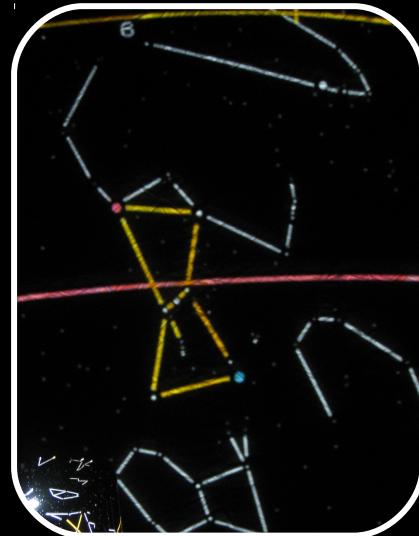
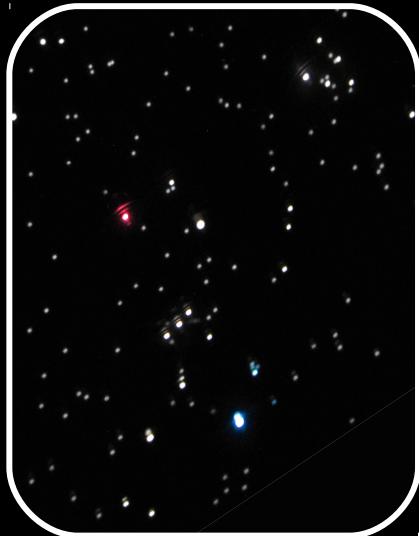
Why is The Inflativerse different?

- Run completely by volunteer scientists
- We visit schools free of charge
- We target schools who would otherwise not have this opportunity



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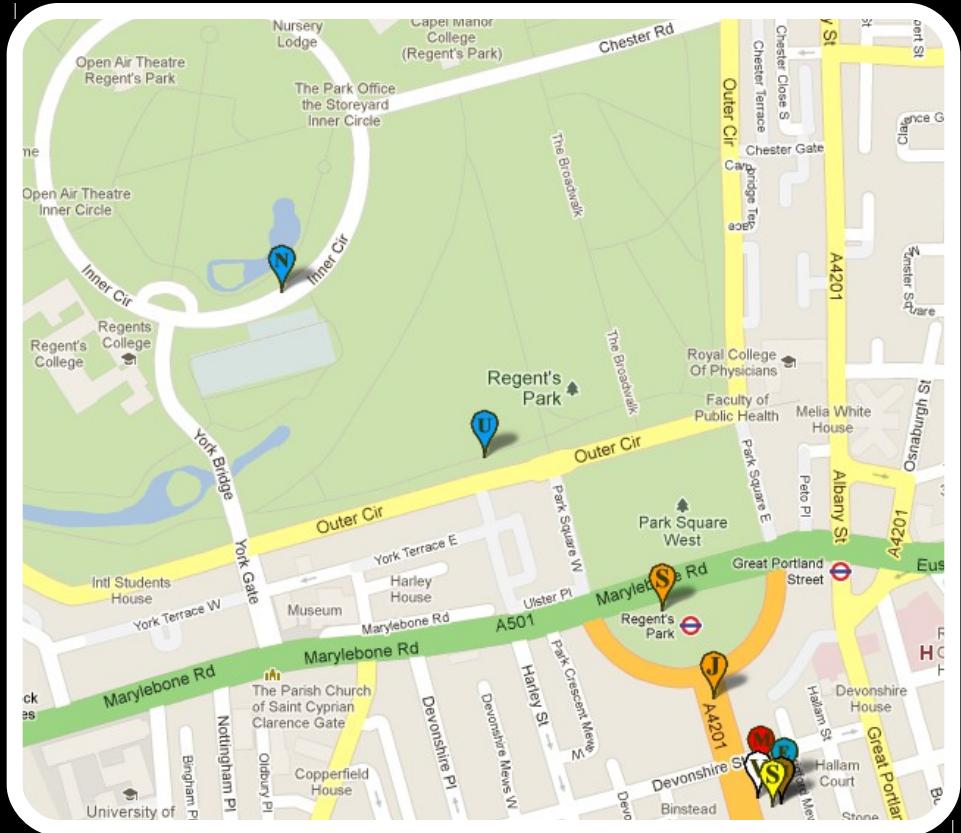
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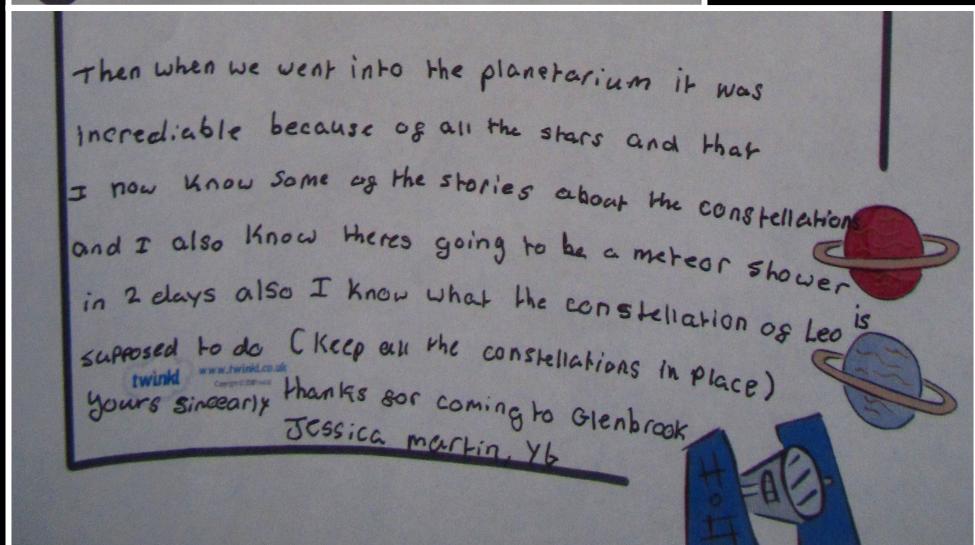
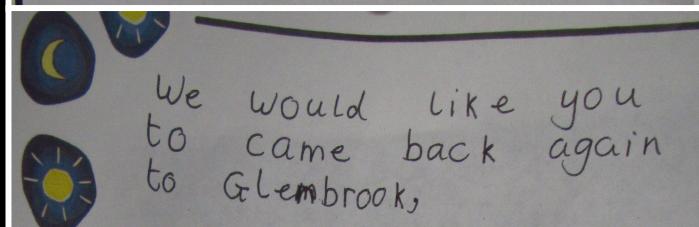
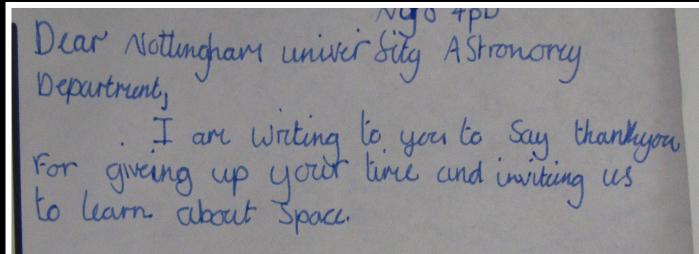
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- Observing the Sun through a solar telescope
- Build a scale model of the Solar System
- Meteorites



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Glenbrook Primary School, visited years 3, 4, 5 & 6, April 2012

The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and it added towards their excitement and enthusiasm towards developing enquiring minds about the Universe.

Grange Primary School, visited years 3, 4, 5 & 6, March 2012

•“I hope you take it to another school and they enjoy it too”

•“Actually I'd like it in my bedroom but it wouldn't fit”

Nottingham University Samworth Academy, visited year 7, November 2011

•“Thanks to you, I have spent the last few nights with neck ache from walking around looking at the stars and trying to spot Orion's belt!” (head teacher)

•“It was really good, I really enjoyed it” (year 9 pupil)

Farnborough School, visited year 9, January 2012