Inspire our future Scientists and Engineers by taking a trip to VSSEC’s Scientific Research Base on Mars!

In Mission Control students observe the astronauts working in the Mars Australian Research Station (M.A.R.S.), use interactive software to monitor systems, and solve related problems.

In the M.A.R.S. Base astronauts work in pairs to complete hands-on science tasks and communicate their results to Mission Control.

Designed to inspire and engage students, Primary Expedition to the M.A.R.S. Base is an immersive space science experience for Grade 5 & 6 students.

The program delivers a scenario-based learning environment that engages the students in a wide range of science activities, uses computer and communications technology, and strongly encourages collaborative learning and teamwork.

This program provides a rich experience in science and builds core skills as defined in VELS Level 4. The program consists of pre-visit lessons provided by VSSEC to prepare the students, and a visit to VSSEC where students complete two missions; one as an astronaut and one as a mission controller.

Year levels: Year 5 & 6
Cost: $18 per student plus GST. (Interstate and international students P.O.A. Please ask if your school is eligible for a subsidy.)

*This program is designed for 1 class per half day *

Maximum group size: 24 students Minimum group size: 12 students

This program can be booked in conjunction with the Serious Science Program to make a complete day of activities for two classes at a cost of $20 per student plus GST.
Primary Expedition – Booking Form

Bookings can also be submitted online at www.vssec.vic.edu.au

To allow time to complete your pre-mission training it is recommended that you book a minimum of 4 weeks in advance.

Name: ___________________________________________________________________________

School Name: ___________________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: __________ Fax: __________

Email address: ___________________________________________________________________

Number of students attending (max 24): ______

Number of teachers attending (min 2): ______

Please nominate three dates and times in order of preference.
Times: 9:00am — 12:00 pm or 12:00pm — 3:00pm.
Bookings are popular and are allocated on a first come first served basis.

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2. _____________________________________________________________________________

3. _____________________________________________________________________________

Primary Mars - $18 (plus GST) per student. (Interstate and international students P.O.A. Please ask if your school is eligible for a subsidy.) Includes:

- Pre-mission training material.
- All equipment and manuals used during the mission.
- Use of Astronaut flight suits.

A minimum of 2 or a maximum of 4 teachers can accompany the students at no cost.

Your reservation will be confirmed via email. You will then have one week to confirm your booking with a $50 non-refundable deposit.

If wheelchair access is required, please notify in advance.

Liability: Schools may be liable for any damage caused by their students to any equipment or furniture within the Space Centre.

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