KS3 Science

1 2	Sun			
2	Juli	the star which the planets in our solar system orbit		
2	Order of the	Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn,		
	planets	Uranus, Neptune		
3	Satellite	an object which orbits another object		
4	Orbit	the curved path of a celestial body or spacecraft		
		around a star, planet or moon		
5	Moon	a mass of rock which orbits a planet; a natural		
		satellite		
6	Artificial satellite	a man-made piece of equipment which orbits a		
		planet		
7	Planet	orbits the sun, big enough to clear its orbit, and		
		roughly spherical in shape.		
8	Dwarf planet	orbits the sun, but not big enough to clear its orbit		
9	Space probe	an uncrewed spacecraft travelling through space		
		to collect scientific data		
10	Meteor	a small object from outer space which enters the		
		Earth's atmosphere		
11	Asteroid	a small rocky object orbiting the sun		
12	Axis	the imaginary line around which an object rotates		
		(spins)		
13	Galaxy	a system of millions or billions of stars and dust,		
		held together by gravity		
Forces in Space				
14	Gravity	the force which attracts any objects with mass		
15	Mass	the total matter an object is made of		
16	Weight	the size of force acting on an object due to gravity		
17	Force arrow	a symbol used to show the size and direction a		
		force is acting in		
18	Centripetal force	a force which acts on an object moving in a circular		
		path. It directs the object towards the centre of		
		the circle.		
19	Gravitational Field	the size of the gravitational force a planet exerts		

Days & Seasons					
20	Tilt of the Earth	23.5°			
21	Time for Earth to	24 hours			
	rotate once				
22	Time for Earth to	365.25 days			
	orbit the sun				
23	Hemisphere	either the top half (Northern) or bottom half			
		(Southern) of the Earth			
24	Season	each of the four divisions of the year; marked by			
		different weather patterns and day length	d day lengths		
Eclipses					
25	Solar eclipse	an eclipse where the sun is obscured by the moon			
26	Lunar eclipse	an eclipse where the moon appears darkened as it			
		passes into the Earth's shadow			
Telescopes					
27	Heliocentric theory	the idea that the planets in our solar system orbit the			
		sun			
28	Geocentric theory	the idea that the planets and the sun orbit the Earth			
29	Telescope	an instrument designed to make distant objects appear nearer			
31	Galileo	founder of Heliocentric theory and invent	or of the		
		telescope			
Measurement Words & Equations for Space					
32	Distance	the length of space between two	Metres (m)		
		points			
33	Diameter	a straight line from one side of a circle (or sphere) to		
		the other			
34	Day	length of time a planet takes to spin on its axis once			
35	Year	length of time a planet takes to orbit the sun			
36	Light year	the distance light can travel in one Earth year			
37	Calculate Weight	Weight = Mass x Gravitational Field			
		$(N) = (Kg) \times (N/Kg)$			
38	Gravitational Field	10N/Kg			
	on Earth				