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## International Space Station project: 2008 update #6

### Space Trivia Competition:

Kids, don't forget there are lots of great prizes to be won by entering the weekly Space Trivia Competition that is part of the St Thomas International Space Station Project. **Conditions of entry:** The competition is open to all students of St Thomas from Prep to Year 7. To be in the running to win, write your name, class and answer to this week's Space Trivia Question on a piece of paper and drop it into the Space Shuttle entry box outside the student's entrance to the office. Entries close Tuesday afternoon and the winner will be announced in next week's Thomataalk. GOOD LUCK!

**This week's question:** Name two countries that have sent astronauts to work on the International Space Station?

**This week's prize:** the Sir Thomas Brisbane Planetarium has kindly donated a pass for 2 adults and 2 children to the Cosmic Skydome Show (valid to the end of this year).

**Last week's winner:** (removed for privacy reasons) wins a space pack for correctly naming Andy Thomas as one Australian astronaut. (Andy Thomas, Paul Scully-Power and Phillip Chapman are all Australian astronauts).

**What is the St Thomas Space Station Project?** Last year St Thomas successfully applied to NASA to host a direct radio link between the school and an astronaut on the International Space Station. This contact is part of a project called "ARISS" which is supported by amateur radio operators and NASA's education division. Only a handful of schools internationally are selected each year to take part in this project. Updates on the project will continue to be provided in Thomataalk in the leadup to this exciting event.

A letter will soon be sent home to families about the selection process for choosing the students who will speak with the International Space Station astronaut.

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