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## **DISCOVERY WITHIN A WEEK**

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This is a pioneering science initiative being piloted in London schools by Russian philanthropic foundation Noosphere. The initiative is also supported by the BE OPEN foundation. Its aim is to introduce young people from disadvantaged areas of London to the fascinating world of astronomy. The project 'Discovery within a Week' brings together PHD astronomy students from UCL's Physics and Astronomy department to mentor secondary school pupils and guide them through the materials and technology.

Over the course of the project, school children from both London and Moscow join professional astronomers from their respective countries, in order to exchange their astronomical experience and ideas during weekly Skype conferences. The objective of this continued interaction is to create a wide network of enthusiastic young observers and researchers. In conducting their research under the expert tutelage of scientists from different countries, children discover the universal laws of physics and realise that science truly knows no borders.

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