



## Communication Enrichment Class: Newsletter 2021

Hello Everyone!

We are entering into the new month of March, and hopefully spring is right around the corner. It has almost been one year since the class moved online, and this makes it a good time to reflect on the past year. What are some lessons that we have learned over the past year? How has our perspective changed? What are we going to take away from the pandemic once things start returning back to normal? We will spend some time in class talking about this past year, and together we will write a reflective piece. If anyone has anything to contribute you are very encouraged to do so!

This month, we are going to start discussing our next topic on Space. We will begin by learning about the Perseverance Mars rover mission, and what researchers are looking for on the planet. We will also learn about our solar system, the Milky Way, as well as meteors, asteroids, and we will look at other NASA missions. We will discuss space travel, and what future plans are for commercial space travel. If there is a particular topic about space that you are interested in, please let Bobbi or myself know and we will be sure to cover it in class!

The class will have our St. Patrick's Day party on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. We will learn about the holiday and how it is celebrated in different countries, and we will play a game of trivia! Make sure to wear something green! ☺

There are several interactive resources where you can learn about Space online. As we begin this topic, take a look at some of these websites:

**NASA at Home:** <https://www.nasa.gov/specials/nasaathome/index.html>

**NASA STEM Engagement:** <https://www.nasa.gov/stem/foreducators/informal/index.html>

**Space.com:** <https://www.space.com>

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to me at any time!

Sincerely,

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