

Learn About *The Moon!*

Do

- Look for the moon in the sky each night. Encourage your preschooler to notice where in the sky it is, what size, shape or color it is, etc. Use a blank calendar to draw the shape of the moon each night. How does the shape change? Can you find the moon during the day? Are there nights when you can't see the moon?
- Find household materials that can make pretend "rocket ships" – bottles, blocks, boxes – use your imagination! Plan a rocket trip to the moon. What will you need to take along? What will it be like when you get there? Then count down and blast off!

Ask

As your child explores, ask questions that encourage scientific thinking:

- **What does the moon look like** tonight?
- **How is that different from** what it looked like yesterday?
- **What did you use** to make your rocket ship?
- **What else could you try** with your rocket?

Read

Use your local library to find more books about space. We like:

- *There's No Place Like Space* by Tish Rabe, 2009.
- *Space Boy* by Leo Landry, 2007.
- *Our Stars* by Ann Rockwell, 1999.
- *Roaring Rockets* by Tony Mitton, 1997.