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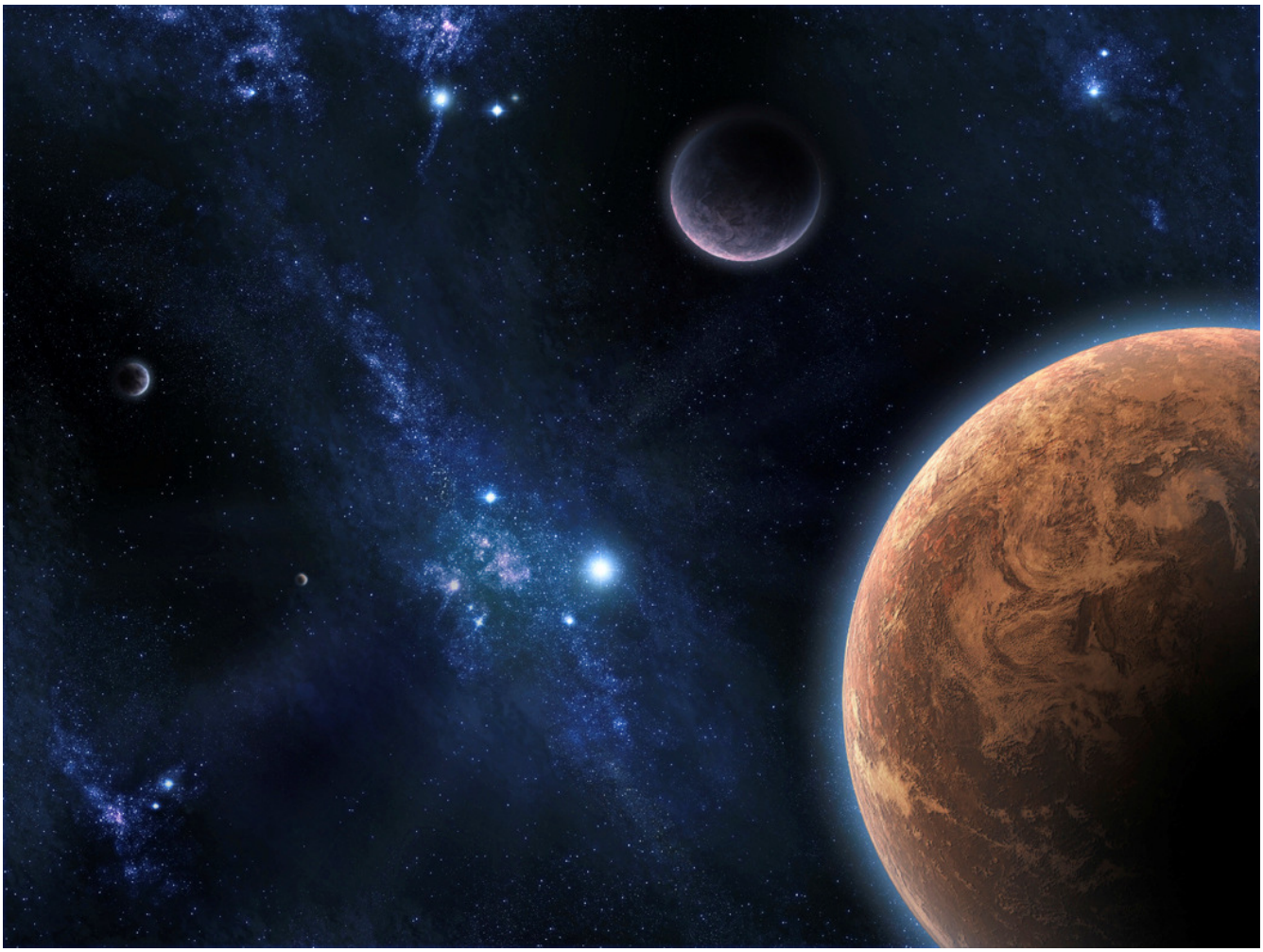

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There are many appropriate themes in the films which could be used as talking and teaching points during Collective Worship.

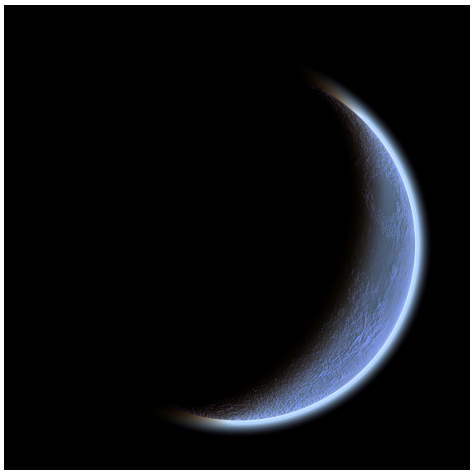
Themes of – Love, Faith, Friendship, Courage, Loyalty, Wisdom, Duty, Standing up for what you believe, Good overcoming evil, Truth, Temptation, Forgiveness, Compassion, Discovering your skills and talents, Being a Hero.
Mention a theme and no doubt the children will be able to provide many illustrations from the films.

There is a particularly strong theme of friendship in the original Star Wars Trilogy. On several occasions lives are risked for friends. Han overcomes selfishness to help his friends

- A New Hope Lando has no choice but to betray his friends or does he?
- The Empire Strikes Back The wisdom of the Jedi Council could also be used as a stimulus for discussion about the children's sources of wisdom. Who could they go to for advice? Who gives them wise counsel?

There are many excellent quotes which could be picked out from the films for discussion for example:
"Size matters not. Look at me! Judge me by my size, do you? Hmmm. And well you should not. For my ally is the force." Yoda

In smaller groups Key Stage 2 children could discuss the comparison between the characteristics of The Force and God.
Needing faith to trust the Force Strength is found in knowledge of the Force.

I wonder…….
What is the best thing about the Star Wars story/films?
What is the most important part of the story?
Which part of the story would you most like to be in?
Who is the most important character in the story? Why?
Which of the characters would you most like to meet? Why?

Have fun and may the Force be with you!