

The background features a large, stylized logo for 'Dan Dare'. At the top, the name 'DAN DARE' is written in a large, blocky, outlined font. Below it, the words 'PILOT OF ADVENTURE' are written in a smaller, similar font. The central part of the logo is a circular emblem containing a detailed illustration of a man's face wearing a wide-brimmed hat and goggles, looking upwards. A rocket ship is depicted flying upwards from the right side of the emblem. Below the emblem, the words 'SAFARI IN SPACE' are written in a large, blocky, outlined font. The entire logo is set against a blue gradient background.

Exploring the Solar System

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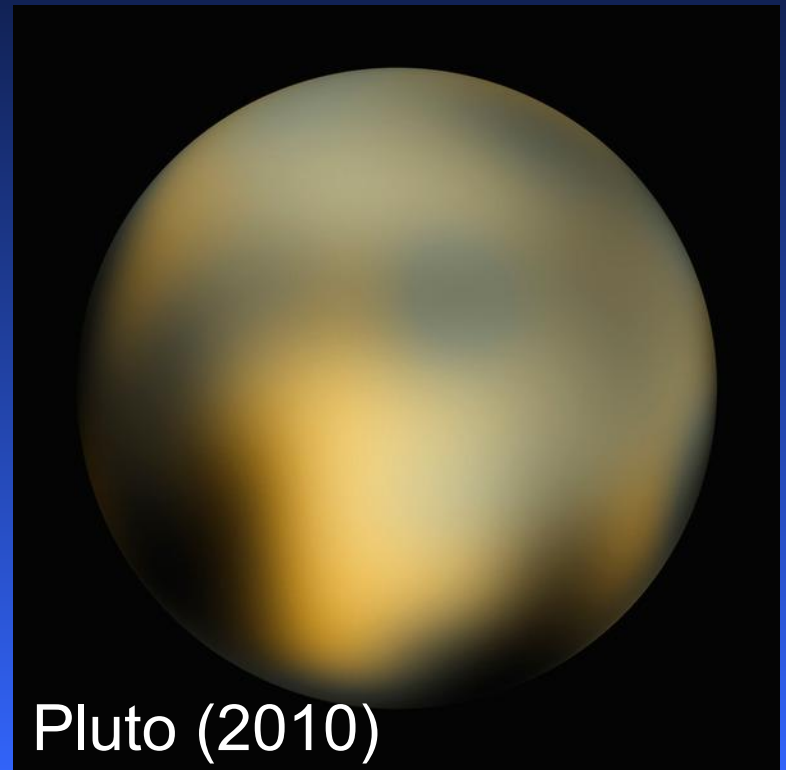
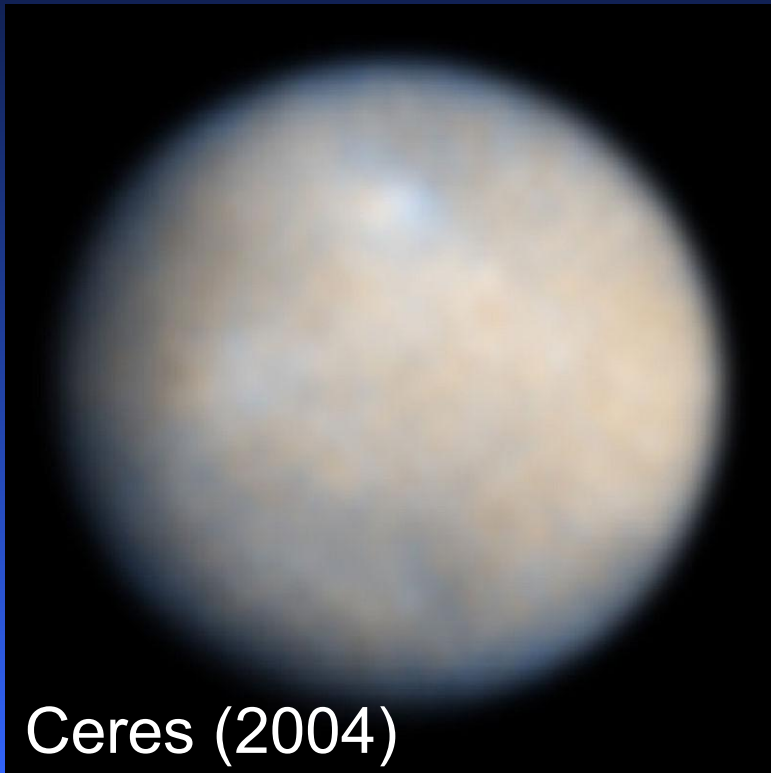
SAFARI IN SPACE

Exploring the Solar System

- A year of amazing discoveries!
 - The Solar System isn't just full of surprises...
 - It's full of surprises we didn't even imagine!

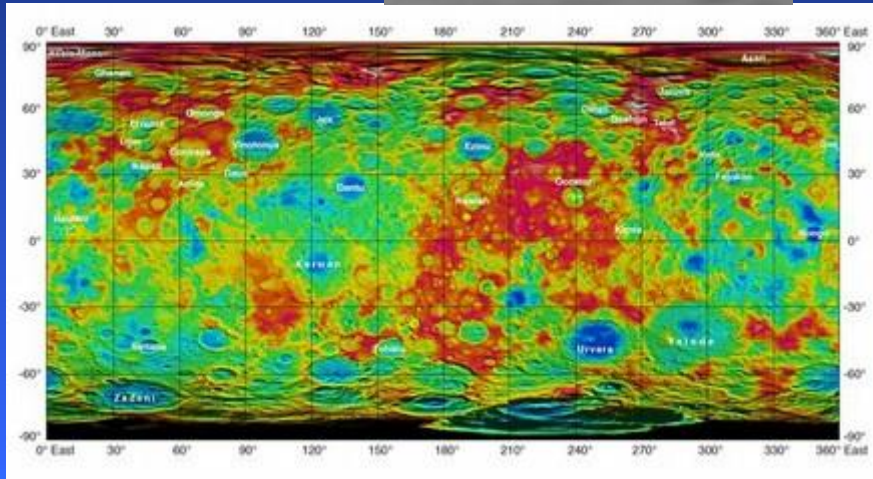
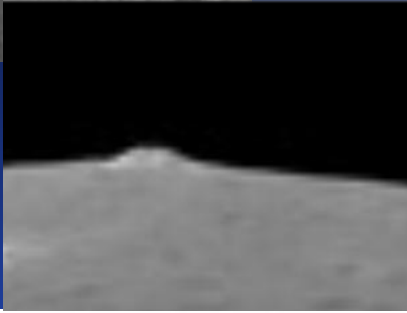
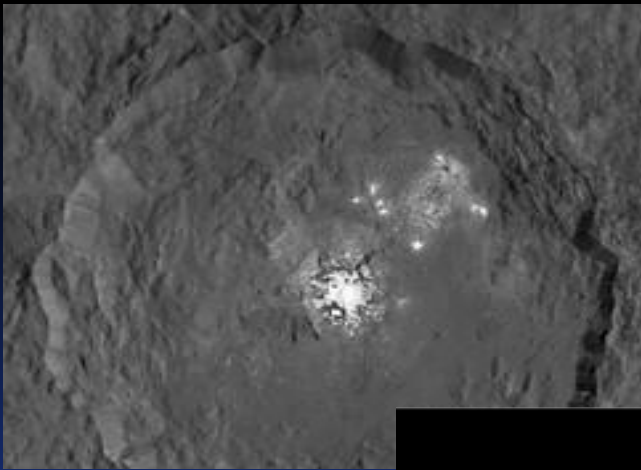


This time last year...



- Pluto and Ceres – fuzzy discs, even with Hubble!

Now...



- Pluto and Ceres – worlds with more than enough for us to think about!



In 2016 ...

Launch and arrival at
Mars of ESA ExoMars
orbiter and lander



Arrival of Juno at Jupiter



In 2016 ...

We will make observations of Jupiter...



In 2016 ...

...Saturn and Mars (if you're up for a challenge)...



In 2016 ...

...and maybe
spot
Mercury...



Course Structure

Week	Topic
1	Introducing the Solar System
2	A tour of the Solar System
3	The Sun – the heart of the Solar System
4	The inner worlds
5	The giant worlds
6	Moons – solar Systems in miniature
7	Minor bodies and the outer Solar System
8	Extrasolar systems – worlds of other stars
9	The birth, life and death of the Solar System
10	Rocket science – it's not rocket science



...sign up now!

