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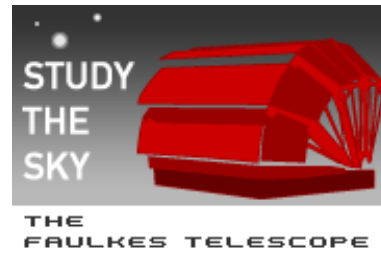
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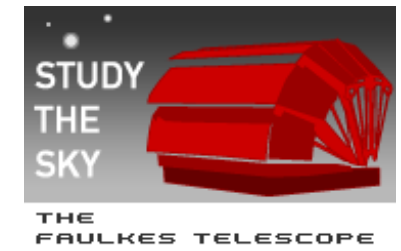
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"Scan the Skies with Faulkes Australia"

We are seeking feedback from science teachers around NSW for interest in using the soon to be commissioned 'Faulkes Telescope'.



This automated, 'professional sized' 2-metre telescope is under construction at Siding Spring Observatory near Coonabarabran NSW and should be available for use in 2004. **Its primary purpose is to provide an educational facility for schools** giving students unprecedented opportunity to participate in real astronomical observations of a wide range of interesting objects.

Interaction is via the internet and they can select objects to observe themselves in a 'classroom of the future' kind of environment. Although UK funded, 15% of the available time is available for use by Australian schools.

The managing organisation for Faulkes Australia is Swinburne University in Melbourne (Director Duncan Forbes) but Macquarie University is acting as a facilitating institute in NSW.

Participating schools will be able to interact directly with the telescope on-line by nominating areas of the sky to look at. Teachers can submit the necessary co-ordinates and receive images the next day via the internet.

The "Scan the Skies: classroom of the future" launch is planned for February 2004. If you would like to be kept up to date on this project with possible involvement for next year, please provide your details below:

GET INVOLVED!

Name:

School:

School Address:

Postal Address (if different from School Address):

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Do you have any astronomy projects, interest groups at your school?

If so please give details: _____

Nominate the subjects and year level (eg Year 10 Science) you would nominate to be involved in the "Scan the Skies" project:

Suggest any teaching resources that may be useful:

Suggest any ideas that could enhance any current project that you have running at your school:

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