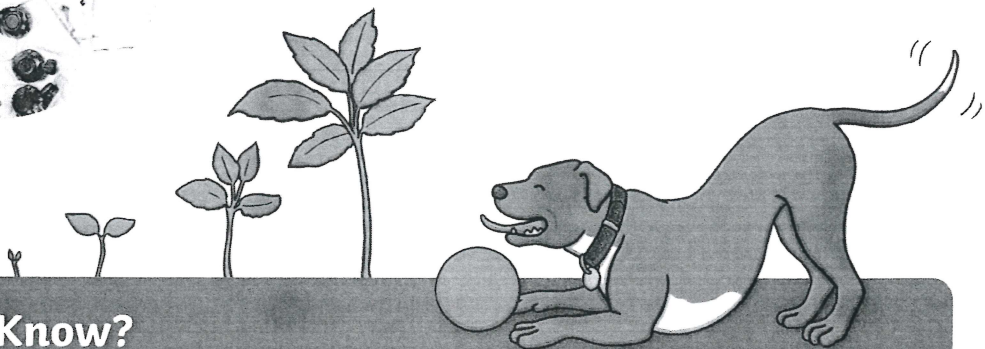
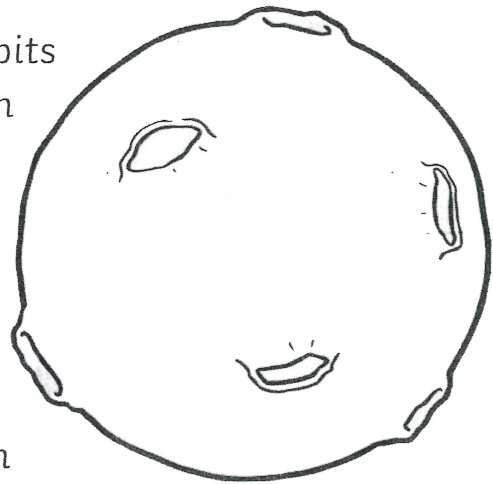


The Moon

The Moon is a natural satellite that orbits the Earth. It has a massive impact on our planet as it controls the tides in our oceans.

Astronauts have been fascinated by the Moon for many years. Several missions have taken place to travel to the Moon, the first of these being in 1969, when Apollo 11 landed on the surface of the Moon. Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were the first people to ever set foot on the Moon. They walked on the surface, conducted some experiments and planted a flag. Footprints and tyre tracks left behind by astronauts on the Moon will stay there forever as there is no wind to blow them away.



Did You Know?

Scientists are still investigating whether there is water on the surface of the Moon. Water is essential in order for plants and animals to live and grow. If enough water was found on the Moon, plants could possibly grow and people may be able to visit or even live there! However, this would be a very long way in the future.