



District Advancement - Space Theme

Each unit chooses a planet to be on at the beginning of the ceremony (district council makes sure that there are no duplications)

Each unit is asked to make costumes, decorations for their area, and to come up with a chant for their planet

Each unit is responsible for their own invitations, and for divided up refreshment requirements

Chairs will be set up circling the room for parents and guests.

A spot light is required so that the light is only on one unit at a time

The district council is in the middle of the room on the space shuttle (a large circle made from cardboard that can be lifted around the members as they move and laid down when they land)

Ceremony starts with all the lights out, then one spotlight on the space shuttle. One person receives a transmission from Space saying they are needed on Planet ____ (one of the Spark units)

Space Shuttle flies around the room and arrives at the right planet. The members of the Planet introduce themselves with their chant. One member on the space shuttle asks why they called them.

A leader on the Planet says they have some people who must get to another planet (the Planet of one of the Brownie units)

A member of the council asks why they need to make such a long journey and a leader says they have completed everything they can on their planet and need to try the new and exciting things on the other Planet.

The children changing branches are loaded onto the shuttle and flown around the room until they reach their destination where the older girls great them and welcome them to their planet. They will have some costume piece to make them a member of the group.

Each unit repeats the transmissions until all the girls are at their new planet.

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Note: the Pathfinders were not excited about flying on the Shuttle so we only delivered to them and they were at the Command Centre controlling the lights, controlling the space music which changed as we flew and as we landed (Pathfinders choose all the music) which they thought was quite a bit of fun. Pathfinders going up were promoted to a Senior Rank rather than transported.

It is important that somehow each unit is visited to pick up and to deliver to - even it if means that some units are split between two units if there is a differing number of units at each branch.

At the end of the ceremony the District Commissioner asked if there were any future Sparks who wanted to go to the Planet ___. They had been invited and some had come so they were picked up by the shuttle and flown away to become Sparks.



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