Vocab. 2- Definitions Space 1

1. **Celestial Body**- Any object outside the Earths’ atmosphere.
2. **Universe**- The totality of known or supposed objects and phenomena throughout space.
3. **Galaxy**- A large system of stars held together by gravity.
4. **Solar System**- The Sun, along with all of the planets and other bodies that revolve around it.
5. **Star**- Any of the large, self-luminous, heavenly bodies.
6. **Planet or Major Planet**- Any of the 8 large heavenly bodies revolving around the Sun: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.
7. **Dwarf Planet**- A spherical object revolving around the Sun, similar to a planet, but not large enough to gravitationally clear its’ orbital region.
8. **Moon**- Any planetary satellite.
9. **Meteorite**- A mass of stone or metal that has reached the Earth from outer Space; A fallen meteoroid.
10. **Asteroid**- Small bodies that revolve around the Sun, lying mostly between Mars and Jupiter.
11. **Comet**- A Celestial body moving around the Sun that consists of a central, solid mass surrounded by dust and gas that may form a tail.