Traveling always educates us. There are many wonderful museums in our hometown which help us discover new things. The Children's Space Center was opened on March 13, 2018. The CSC is a new part of the museum-educational complex of space subjects in the Kirov region. In the museum named after Konstantin Eduardovich Tsiolkovsky you can see how the founder of cosmonautics K. E. Tsiolkovsky conceived the exploration of space in the 19th century. The Children's Space Center tells us about the present and future of space exploration.

We took part in an educational tour to the Space Center during the Space Day on April 12. The exhibition halls dedicated to manned space exploration and space exploration impressed us! We got acquainted with the history of space exploration, with the work of cosmonauts in orbital stations and in outer space, we also saw a spacesuit in which cosmonauts go into outer space. The exposition hall called “Space exploration” is devoted to the study of near-Earth space and the nearest planets. We got to see such exhibitions as globes of the Moon and Mars, models of communication satellites, rebroadcasts of the Glonass system as well as the elements of the solar system, antennas-emitters and, finally, Proton and Angara rocket models. The training complex allowed us to understand what equipment cosmonauts use for trainings at the Mission Control Center. A virtual analog of the International Space Station gave us an opportunity to experience a state of zero gravity inside the station, moving in its different parts as cosmonauts do, to float through compartments, and also to work with equipment. In the “Astrophysical Phenomena” exposition hall we learned how craters were formed on the Moon, how the propeller engine differs from the jet engine, how whirlpools arise, how clouds are formed, and much more.

We traveled in time and space with the help of the film "From the Earth to the Universe" as well as gained new knowledge.

The full-domed digital planetarium made it possible for us to visit the faraway places of the Universe and learn its most exciting secrets. We have become closer to the stars due to meetings with cosmonauts who expand the boundaries of our space knowledge. On September 14, we met with Yurchikhin Fedor Nikolaevich who is the 98th cosmonaut of Russia and 423rd of the world. From 2002 to 2017 he made five space flights, three spacewalks, spent 672 days, 20 hours and 88 minutes in space. We watched the film "Encyclopedia of Cosmonauts", where Fedor Nikolaevich shared detailed information about his life and flights into space. We asked questions and answered questions of the cosmonaut. As a result of this meeting, we learned a lot of interesting things about the 98th cosmonaut of Russia. For example, his favorite dish is cheesecakes. He also brings a photo exhibition from every space flight. His most memorable experiment on the International Space Station board is the experiment with a plasma crystal. We were very happy to get a chance to communicate with such an amazing person. All in all, coming to the Children's Space Center, we can discover new things, enrich ourselves with new knowledge and strive to be educated.