

# Look out for the Supermoon tonight

Tonight there will be a full moon appearing opposite the sun at 5.48pm.

It will be full for three days and this one is called the Worm Moon. Some North American tribes called it the Crow Moon as the cawing of crows heralded the end of winter.

When the ground thaws the earthworm casts which appear give this moon its name, but it is also known as the Lenten Moon since it coincides with the period of Lent. The next full moon will be just before Easter on 7 April 2020.

This is a so-called supermoon which takes place when the moon is within 90% of perigee, its closest approach to Earth in a certain orbit. There can be several each year.

Did you know it is customary to wear celestial clothing in honour of the full moon?

If you get some photos of the moon do share them with us!



The moon, or supermoon, is seen rising behind the Soyuz rocket at the Baikonur Cosmodrome launch pad in Kazakhstan, Monday, Nov. 14, 2016. Credit: NASA/Bill Ingalls