It’s a Great, Big Universe!

Can you unscramble these words about our solar system?

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usn ________________________    latneps ________________________
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snuaru ________________________    tipjure ________________________
crymure ________________________    runsat ________________________
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Now use these words to complete the crossword puzzle.

Across

2. There are now 8 of them in our solar system.
5. This planet is very, very hot and is closest to the sun.
6. This is not a planet anymore because it was too small. It is also the name of a popular Disney dog.
9. This planet is named after the Roman god of the sea and is the farthest planet from the sun.
11. Though many people think that little green men live here, most scientists agree there is no life on this planet.
12. This planet has beautiful rings. A popular type of car is named after it.

Down

1. They light up the night sky and make up constellations.
3. It is the center of the solar system and is the closest star to earth.
4. This is the largest of the planets with a mass that is 2-and-a-half times that of all other planets combined. It has a great red spot.
5. Mars has two, but we have only one. It is not made of cheese.
7. Named for the Roman god of the sky, it is the coldest of all the planets and spins on a very tilted axis.
8. This planet is covered with clouds, is often called the “morning star,” and is named after the Roman goddess of love.
10. Third rock from the sun.