

Year Group	3	Term	Spring	Subject	Science	Topic	Rocks and Fossils		
						Key Question	What are the differences between rocks, fossils and soils?		
Prior Learning and other Curriculum Links	EYFS The Natural World Explore the natural world around them, making observations; know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments; understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter. Materials: Explore a range of materials Year 1: materials- classifying and describing materials History- The Stone Age Geography- Exploring the UK and Canal networks					Target Tracker statements (Skills)	I can examine and do practical experiments on various types of rocks in order to group them on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. I can simply describe how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. I can explain that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.		
Fundamentals	To know that the earth is made up of different layers of rocks.				f	Key Facts/Sticky Knowledge	 Recall the layers of the Earth (crust, mantle, outer core and inner core) Group and classify rocks into categories based on their physical appearance and properties (igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary) Describe how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock Recognise that soil is made from rocks and organic matter 		

Our Curriculum	Children will begin by looking at how the different rocks (igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary) are formed. They will also be shown the different layers of the earth. The children then move onto identifying the features of the different								
Journey	types of rocks by being given different rocks and information about igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary and sorting the rocks according to this. The children will then look at fossils and how they are created. Finally, the children will look at different types of soil and will investigate what soild does for or planet.								
Key	Ke	еу	Crust, mantle, outer core, inner core						
Vocabulary	Vo	ocabulary	Igneous, metamorphic, sedimentary, hard, soft,						
(revisited)	(no	new)	permeable, impermeable, durable, density						
			Fossils, fossilisation, palaeontologist, permeable,						
			impermeable, durable, density, soil, compost, absorption						
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