## Alder Coppice Primary School — Knowledge Organiser

SCIENCE

Year: 3

**Unit 2: Rocks & Soils** 

**Links to: Y2 Materials** 

#### **What I Should Already Know:**

- That objects are made from materials which are either solids, liquids and gases.
- All materials have properties which make them suitable for different purposes.

### **Skills & Enquiry:**

- 1. How can I identify different kinds of rock?
- 2. How can I identify different kinds of soil?



Mary Anning

#### **Unit Specific Vocabulary:**

**fossil** - The prehistoric remains of a plant or animal. There are cast, trace and body fossils.

**horizons** – The layers in a soil profile – O, A, B, C and Bedrock

igneous - Rock formed from magma

impermeable - Does not allow water to pass through magma - Hot liquid rock

metamorphic - Rock that has been changed by heat or pressure

mineral - A natural substance that makes up rock

paleontologist. - Scientist who studies the remains of plants and animals that lived millions of years ago.

pedologist – A Scientist who studies soil

permeable - Allows water to pass through

**rock** – A material made from one or more minerals

**sedimentary** - Rock made from sediment

soil – A material made from minerals, water, air and other organic matter such as leaves

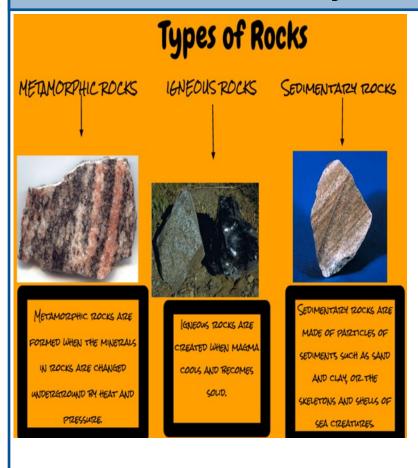
names of some rocks: granite / marble / sand / clay / limestone

## What I should know by the end of the Unit:

- What are the three different kinds of rocks?
- How are rocks formed?
- What are the properties of different rocks?
- How can we test the features of different rocks?
- What are fossils?
- How are fossils made?
- Who was Mary Anning?
- What is soil made of?
- What are the layers of soil?
- Are all soils the same?
- What are the different soils?
- How can we investigate different soils?

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## **Key Facts:**









3 Fossil types:

Trace

Cast

Body

# A Soil Profile

