



Theo Broughton and family along with Imogen Geary and family, photographed in one of Mountsorrel Quarry's 100 tonne loaders.

Mini Rock Stars Take Centre Stage at Mountsorrel Quarry

Earlier this year, we launched our first ever **Mountsorrel Quarry Schools Competition** and in August we had the pleasure of welcoming the winning families to the site for a special VIP visit. By **Joshua Mason**...

The Rock Stars competition invited local children aged 5 - 11 to get creative and explore the story of Mountsorrel's famous pink granite. Entries could range from poems and short stories to drawings and sculptures, with the aim of celebrating our local geology in a fun and imaginative way.

CELEBRATING CREATIVITY AND GEOLOGY

The winning entry came from 8 year old Theo Broughton of St Bartholomew's Primary School in Quorn, who wowed the judges with his original 'Granirock' Pokémon card (right). Theo's clever design combined local geology with his love of Pokémon, creating an educational and playful tribute to granite and its many uses.

To celebrate their success, the winner, runner up and their families were invited on a behind-the-scenes tour of the quarry, where they got to see the site and have a

photo taken (above) in one of our 100 tonne loaders. After donning high-vis jackets and hard hats, the children had a chance to meet the team and learn more about the work that goes on every day to extract and process Mountsorrel's unique pink granite.

Below: The winning entry!



A DAY TO REMEMBER

"It was fantastic to welcome the winning families and see the excitement on the children's faces as they explored the Quarry," said Carl Ashurst, Mountsorrel Quarry Operations Director. "The competition was about sparking creativity and pride in our local geology, and it's brilliant to see how much fun they had".

Alongside the family day, Theo also received a family ticket to the Silverstone Festival, which took place on a racetrack resurfaced using Mountsorrel granite and a Tarmac goody bag. His winning entry was also proudly displayed at the Mountsorrel Revival earlier in August this year.

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