



To the Principal/Director

I would like to introduce myself, Marianne Harvey, Geologist. Since the downturn in the mining industry of the last few years and, as a result of a lack of work during 2014, I began conducting a Rocks and Minerals Roadshow visiting local primary schools. I enjoyed this immensely, and so have continued performing roadshows during National Science Week, or Earth Science Week each year.

During my Roadshow presentation, which takes approximately 40 minutes per class, I display interesting rocks and minerals I have collected from around Australia as well as overseas which the children can observe and learn about each specimen’s geological creation story.

The children are invited to bring in a special rock they may have found at home, on holidays, at the beach or in the bush for me to identify and tell them how it has formed. At the end of the Roadshow, each child can be presented with a named “pet rock” (as pictured below) with details of its formation to keep as a memory prompt for my discussion and as a reminder of the amazingly dynamic Earth beneath their feet.

Please let me know if you would like me to come to your school. I charge a minimal fee, to cover my costs, as follows (including GST):

Geoscience Communicator	\$30.80	per hour including travel time
Pet rocks	\$3.30	each

Kind regards,
Marianne Harvey

