



Mining Matters e-News

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Season's Greetings



Season's Greetings from the team at **Mining Matters**, wishing you a joyous holiday celebration with family and friends and a healthy, happy and prosperous 2014!

Our New Website

Mining Matters is pleased to announce the launch of our new website www.miningmatters.ca. Our home page now features upcoming Activities and Events as well as the newest **Mining Matters** publications. Browse the Aboriginal Programs pages to learn more about *Mining Rocks* Earth Science Programs and the School Programs pages for information of interest to teachers and students. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to download resources directly from our Resources section.

Learn more about how you can support our programs by visiting DONATE on our home page. Visit www.miningmatters.ca and discover how **Mining Matters** to everyone!

2014 Annual Teacher Day

Mining Matters 2014 annual Teacher Day at the PDAC International Convention, Trade Show and Investors Exchange sponsored by IBK Capital Corp. is open for Early Bird registration until January 5, 2014. "All that glitters..." is our theme for this year's program and will find teachers participating in a number of hands-on learning activities and attending plenary sessions about the minerals and metals mined in Ontario and Canada. For registration details, please visit www.miningmatters.ca.

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A 'granite' old time near Havelock, Ontario

On a sunny afternoon in September, the **Mining Matters** team arrived at the Drain Brothers Excavation Limited's Havelock quarry and collected approximately 300 kilograms of beautiful pink granite. **Mining Matters** educational resources have a huge need for this eye-catching rock; to teach participants about the bedrock of our country, geologic time, intrusive vs. extrusive formation and the relationship between rocks and minerals. This granite is a central component of many lessons.

Incorporating samples into our resource kits is made possible by our industry partners. Support received through in-kind donations, such as these samples, contribute greatly to the valuable hands-on learning experiences.

Thank you Drain Brothers! To be a rock sample partner, contact info@miningmatters.ca.





Extending our Aboriginal Outreach in Fort Hope

This October, the **Mining Matters** team undertook their largest community outreach program to date at Eabametoong First Nation as part of our Ring of Fire Community Partnership Program, sponsored by Ontario's Ring of Fire Secretariat, BMO Capital Markets, Cliffs Natural Resources, Hatch and SNC-Lavalin. During our visit, approximately 350 students and educators enjoyed *Mining Rocks* Earth Science Programs and a field trip, teachers benefited from a two-hour professional development workshop and a community event was hosted to engage all in the wonders of Earth science.



Eabametoong First Nation kindergarten students

Thanks to our Ring of Fire Community Partners and our industry mentor, Kaitlyn Ferris from Noront Resources, for their ongoing support of **Mining Matters**. We left behind not only 300 plus, bright red t-shirts but also memories of fun, interactive learning experiences for many.

Support Mining Matters

Mining Matters is a charitable organization committed to educating young Canadians about mining's importance to our quality of life. Your personal or corporate contribution supports the development and delivery of leading edge educational programs that meet all Earth science curriculum expectations for the grades in which they're offered. To find out ways to support **Mining Matters** please visit www.miningmatters.ca.

Charitable Registration Number: 88775 6435 RR0001.

Mining Matters' Drill Bits

What makes Mining Matters unique?

Mining Rocks Earth Science Programs are recognized as exceptional educational opportunities; but they are also unique in their 'custom fit' approach. **Mining Matters** flexible program design includes a focus upon local commodities, environment, geological features and language and ensures a positive, learning experience for all participant ages and education levels.

Spread the word on WHERE!

The **2014 WHERE Challenge** sponsored by Kinross Gold Corporation is underway, encouraging children ages 9 to 14 years, to discover the answers to these questions: **WHAT on Earth is in your stuff? and WHERE on Earth does it come from?** Invite family and friends to participate, to learn about non-renewable resources and get in the game for great prizes. Don't be left out. Step up to the Challenge. The contest closes March 7, 2014. For more information please visit www.earthsciencescanada.com/where.

The 2013 **Mining Matters** Industry Newsletter is now available for download on www.miningmatters.ca.

Save the dates for these upcoming 2014 Mining Matters events:

- March 1, 2014 PDAC Caracle Cup Hockey Tournament
- June 5, 2014 Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic
- June 5, 2014 Rock Cycle: Ride for Minerals Education