

CEPNET Session 6

Today's Plan

- Presenting the "Big Ideas"
- Some topical issues- timeline and treatment of children
- Continuing to put together a project plan
- Work at tables in groups on research planning
- Discussion



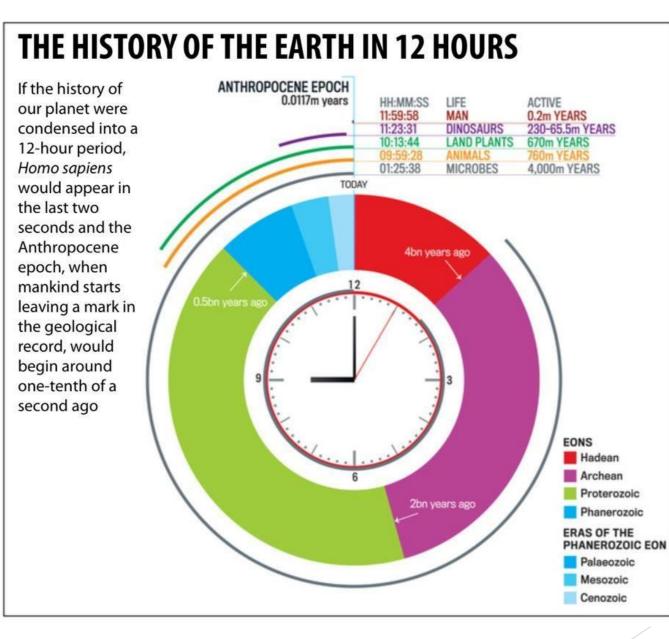
Where's the animal?













Children's Ombudsman Report

- Children living at a local authority-run halting site have increased rates of skin conditions and respiratory problems as a direct result of the living conditions at the site,
- Failure to "clear passage for the children travelling to school" and create safe places for them to play
- Persistent rodent infestations, inadequate sanitation, extreme overcrowding, and unsafe and inadequate electrical works.
- Sixty-six children live on the site, however, the report notes: "There has been very little improvement to these facilities for children in nearly 10 years".
- Investigators spoke to 17 children living on the site, some of whom said they feel different to their peers due to the standard of the conditions on the site.
- People ask why I'm dirty, but I'd be ashamed to say. I don't want to say it was from walking out of the site." (14 year old girl)
- "Walking up to school, you see all the rats...They would be running up and down the walls of the trailer." (12 year old girl)



Project planning

- Start at the end
- Work back to today
- What is Step 1, Step 2 and on?
- What do we need- resources, supports?
- Do we want to call on anyone from outside school?
- Who do we want to tell about our work?

