

Farewell to fossils as geology guru swaps stones for study



Volunteer Vicky with her favourite Ichthyosaur skull

At long last our extensive geology collection is now almost completely catalogued and on the computer, thanks to the hard work of volunteer Vicky Fish. Vicky has been coming to the Burymead store every Monday for the last year, carefully cataloguing the fossils, geology and stratigraphy. Her experience here (and at Ashwell Museum) helped her win a coveted place on the Leicester University post-grad Museum Studies course, which she starts on Monday. Thanks to Vicky we now know that the collection includes fossils of large marine reptiles (Plesiosaur and Carcharodon megalodon) found in Letchworth and Baldock dating back 90 million years, when this area was sub-tropical, and covered in 100 metres of warm water. We wish her the best of luck for the future.

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