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Learning through Technologies

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I think the key thing for us is to help students to become enthusiastic about enquiry learning and science. We are going to be continuing our micro climate surveys today. You chose where you think the best place to put a new picnic bench in the school grounds would be. Students are used to engaging with others through technology, they use social networking sites, they use Wikipedia. This activity guide take them through the different steps through planning their investigation, then gives them another web page where they can input the data. Because they are into shared data, with others in their class, they're able to compare some of the data with class averages, so, they really have a sense of how you need to interrogate data that you collect. We're aiming to use these experiences to help us design a customizable tool kit to support evidence based enquiry learning. We can design something that would be useful to many more teachers than the ones we've already been able to involve.