

DIGITAL CHILDHOODS PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Playing and Learning

OPEN DAY

Thursday 12th May, Macrobart, Stirling

Have technological toys and games changed the way children play?

Can new technologies support or speed up children's learning in different or more effective ways?

What do children's emerging technological skills mean for learning and teaching in the early years?

Early years practitioners, policy makers and parents of pre-school children are invited to join university researchers and media industry specialists to discuss these questions and learn about current initiatives affecting young children growing up in a digital world.

Our **Open Day (0930-1600)** will feature opportunities to learn about current developments from organisations such as CBeebies, Creative Scotland, Learning & Teaching Scotland and VTech, and researchers Dr Christine Stephen (University of Stirling) on rethinking playing and learning and Lindsay Grant (University of Bristol), on what children's developing technological skills mean for their learning, with opportunities to discuss and share ideas throughout the day.

All are welcome to attend but space is limited, so booking is essential: to register for this event go to:

http://www.scottishinsight.ac.uk/Programmes/Currentprogrammes/DigitalChildhoods/OpenDay_PlayingLearning_Info/OpenDay_Tickets.aspx

Open Day: Morning Programme

0900	REGISTRATION & COFFEE/ TEA
0930	Welcome
0945	Rethinking playing and learning in the early years <i>Dr Christine Stephen, University of Stirling</i>
1015	Playing and learning: presentations and demonstrations (1)* CBeebies trials <i>Ayesha Chowdhury, CBeebies Producer</i> Learning through games <i>Derek Robertson, Learning & Teaching Scotland</i> New digital technologies for children <i>VTech</i>
1045	COFFEE/ TEA
1100	Playing and learning: presentations and demonstrations (2)* CBeebies trials <i>Ayesha Chowdhury, CBeebies Producer</i> Learning through games <i>Derek Robertson, Learning & Teaching Scotland</i> Electronic Learning Games <i>VTech</i>
1130	<i>Discussion 1</i>
1215	LUNCH

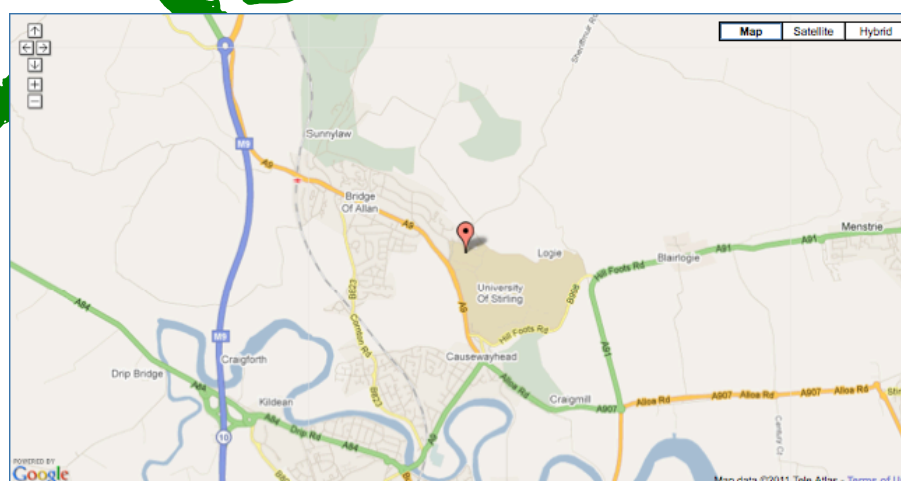
* Presentation and demonstration sessions are repeated so that participants can hear about children playing and learning with different technologies from presenters in the Filmhouse in one session and observe children playing with digital toys in the Workspace in the other session. Participants will be divided into two groups for this reason and the presentations will be repeated in each session.

Discussion of presentations and demonstrations will take place in the Filmhouse after these sessions.

Open Day: Afternoon Programme

1300	Children's emerging technological competences: implications for learning <i>Lyndsay Grant, University of Bristol</i>
1330	Using children's TV to develop literacy skills <i>Mairi Flood, Creative Scotland</i>
1400	Designing technologies to build on children's out-of-school understanding and experiences <i>Andrew Manches, London Knowledge Lab</i>
1430	Discussion 2
1500	COFFEE/ TEA
1515	TBC
1545	TBC
1615	<i>Discussion 3</i>
1645	CLOSE

Venue: Macrobert, University of Stirling, Stirling, FK9 4LA:



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