Welcome to the Research & Development Library Monthly newsletter

Whitefield’s Research & Development library produces this newsletter every month to keep our members up to date with new journals, books and news. It contains the contents pages of all new journals received and a list of all new books that are available in the library. You will also find details and blurb of our feature book of the month.

Our aim is to ensure that all of our members benefit from everything we have to offer.

If there is anything else you would like to see featured in our newsletter please send us your ideas to:

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EYE (September 2017)

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Editorial

1. Pilots must be flying over the dark clouds
   The evaluation of the 30-hour pilots suggests that everything is going smoothly; nursery closures and profit losses would suggest otherwise.

Opinion

2. Jackie Neagle
   The real impact of the government’s continued underfunding of its childcare entitlement for parents? I've just closed my nursery.
3. Louise and Noam Lederman
   The continued lack of resources and funding made available by the government will have serious implications for early years education.
4. Deborah Lawson
   New ministers tackling a backlog of policy decisions that either need urgent amendment or have yet to be implemented.

News analysis

5. The season of mellow data
   While we wait for the latest Profile results, and with summer upon us, it is important we keep informed and proactive of national events.

Professional

6. Reflections on what school readiness really means
   A focus on what it means for both schools and children when they take those important steps between different settings.
7. We need to take care of ourselves to help children
   Part two of our look at wellbeing offers further ideas, exploring how our own mental health impacts on children.
8. Play and staff autonomy coming under pressure
   Our series on international perspectives of ECEC is designed to offer a window into what is happening in other countries – this month, Hungary.
   Key findings from a pilot project, which investigated the implementation of iPads in schools and nursery/pre-schools, in Belfast.
10. On the contrary: the role played by opposing ideas
    Concepts formed by binary opposites, such as good/evil, from an important part of our thinking. How can they enhance children’s learning?
11. **Relationship-based early childhood interventions**  
Assessing the development of an early intervention method for children with complex needs in PVI settings.

12. **Stereotypes are being written out of the script**  
Books help to shape a child’s nascent understanding of the world around them, especially in terms of gender equality and diversity.

**Practical Supplement**

13. **Castles of the imagination**  
The possibilities for play and learning inherent in popular and common early years resources and materials – small world scenarios.

14. **This is more than half-full**  
Introducing mathematical learning and language in your setting using everyday, junk materials – this month, bottles.

15. **Coins are a rich resource**  
Money can be a wonderful resource, providing many rich and varied opportunities for both play and learning.

16. **Water boosts the brain**  
Jenni Clarke’s new six-part series explores ways to promote healthy habits – this month, the best ways to rehydrate.

17. **Getting ready to go out**  
Focusing on PSED continues with activities designed to get children into the habit of self-analysis – what to wear.

18. **Nutrition to start the day**  
A healthy breakfast can provide children with essential energy and nutrients that their bodies need to help them function effectively!

**FOCUS: EYFS Childminding**

19. **Exploring how a childminder delivers foundation stage provision**  
This article uses a case study approach to explore how the *Early Years Foundation Stage* is delivered in the home of a childminder. It identifies several key areas of interest that are relevant to this form of early education.
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   Will ministers take steps to end selection by the back door?

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   The NAHT’s Nick Brook on why he wants schools to take control.

3. Not making a splash
   Why swimming has become a difficult issue for primary schools.

4. Prize progress
   A ‘real-world’ approach to learning in one award-winning nursery.

5. Testing the boundaries
   The finely-tuned process that’s behind every year’s exam season.

6. Maths? Woo!
   YouTube sensation Eddie Woo on the humanity and joy in maths.

7. The sum of all fears
   How maths anxiety – for pupils and teachers alike – can be cured.

8. Retention: easy as Pi
   Four ways for schools to keep their maths teachers happy.

9. Set to fail?
   Why segregating students by ability in maths is a bad idea.

10. Nothing to choose
    As budgets tighten, colleges are forced to ditch A-level options.

11. Here’s looking at EU
    Colleges must remain diverse in spite of Brexit, says one leader.

12. The ABC of great CPD
    Top tips for making professional development a must-attend.

Numeracy Special

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   (Ellen Rombouts, Bea Maes, and Inge Zink)
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   (Jillian H. McCarthy, Ilsa Schwartz, and Morgan Ashworth)
3. Designing interaction, voice, and inclusion in AAC research.
   (Graham Pullin, Jutta Treviranus, Rupal Patel, and Jeff Higginbotham)

Review Article

4. The effectiveness of aided augmented input techniques for persons with developmental disabilities: a systematic review.
   (Anna A. Allen, Ralf W. Schlosser, Kristofer L. Brock, and Howard C. Shane)

Research Articles

5. Effects of background colour and symbol arrangement cues on construction of multi-symbol messages by young children without disabilities: implications for aided AAC design.
   (Jennifer J. Thistle and Krista Wilkinson)
6. Culturally and linguistically diverse student and family perspectives of AAC.
   (Saili S. Kilkarni and Jessica Parmer)
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6. Enabling Environments
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8. A Unique Child
   Helping children not rooted in one country.
9. Learning & Development
   The importance of PD to learning.

Work Matters

10. Workforce Strategy, Part 1: Level 2
    The drive to reform entry level qualifications.
11. Management
    Why now is the perfect time for settings to take stock, review and plan.

TigerFeat

Five-year-old Thea Caine from Newcastle was inspired to take part in a range of tiger-themed activities as part of Born Free’s Big Cat Nap to raise awareness of the threats faced by her favourite big cat.

Thea completed several tiger challenges over seven days, including staying in bed for 17 hours, tiger face painting and making her own two-minute documentary, which has been viewed more than 500 times.

There are estimated to be as few as 3,500 tigers remaining due to habitat loss.

Thea’s mum Cheryl said, ‘Thea was so keen to support her favourite charity that she even donated the contents of her money box. So far we have raised over £525 and I’m overwhelmed by all the support we’ve received.’

Visit Thea’s JustGiving page at https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cherylandthea
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   In terms of progress, state schools are outperforming independents.
4. **Bon chance**  
   MFL grades will be higher in a bid to halt the decline of languages.
5. **Spy in the classroom?**  
   A school’s ‘mystery shopper’ scheme is dissected by experts.
6. **‘Racist’ targets**  
   Why benchmarks are accused of disadvantaging black students.
7. **Take it as read**  
   Teachers’ summer holiday book choices revealed in TES poll.
8. **Beyond compare**  
   GCSEs are different now – that message needs to be communicated.
9. **Choose a teacher**  
   Trainspotting author Irvine Welsh on an inspirational English teacher.

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11. **Read all about it...**  
    ... but with a whole-class or guided approach? Explore the arguments.
12. **Write approach**  
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13. **DEAR prudence**  
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14. **Liven up literacy**  
    To motivate students, you need to make literacy inescapable for them.
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   Noora Ellonen, Steven Lucas, Ylva Tindberg and Staffan Janson

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   Employers warn that new GCSEs may lead to missed opportunities.

2. Passing judgement
   Parents confused and anxious over what constitutes a GCSE pass.

3. Linear Regression
   Top grades fall in new linear A-level subjects, as gender gap closes.

4. It’s all academic
   For 30 years, Alan Smithers has used research to challenge norms.

5. Durand, Durand
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6. Making history
   How one award-winning project is building stronger community links.

7. Join the debate
   Politics lessons are empowering, not brainwashing, says one teacher.

8. On the jobs
   Career choices are crucial, so why so we have to make them so early?

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    Can playing chess improve children’s academic prospects?

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Roped In

The summer Kids Feast at Proud Country House in Brighton is offering activities to help children flourish in the great outdoors.

The programme of events, which runs until 17 September, includes tree-climbing lessons, circus skills workshops, interactive treasure hunts, bike tours and hip hop dance classes.

More peaceful activities include yoga, mosaic-making, cookery classes and storytelling in a fairy themed garden.

Set within Stanmer Park, the festival is for children aged between 2 and 14. All profits will be donated to children’s hospice Chestnut Tree House.

Vicky Norman, corporate fundraiser at Chestnut Tree House, said, “We would like to thank everyone involved at Proud County House for their support. The events sound amazing.”

[www.stanmerhouse.co.uk/kidsfest](http://www.stanmerhouse.co.uk/kidsfest)
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6. Campaigns
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7. Focus on employment
   Exploring the types of work that people with sensory impairments do – and what it means to them. Work can come in many shapes and sizes and is about much more than just earning a wage. It’s also about feeling part of the community, using your skills, developing friendships and making a contribution.

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