



Tots and tech: challenges for early childhood in a digital age



Friday 5th May, 2017, Melbourne

presented by Australian Council on Children and the Media (ACCM)

8.30 Registration and coffee

9.00 Opening

Chair & opening address: Prof Elizabeth Handsley, Flinders Law School and
President Australian Council on Children and the Media

9.20 Keynote address

Prof Susan Edwards, Learning Sciences Institute Australia

10.15 Facts & Figures: The place of media in children's lives

Dr Diana Warren, Australian Institute of Family Studies

10.30 Morning Tea

10.55 Session One: Media use in early childhood: physical development

Dr Helen Dixon, Cancer Council Victoria

Prof Leon Straker, Curtin University

Prof Sarah Blunden, Appleton Institute

12.25 Lunch

13.10 Session Two: Media use in early childhood: social and emotional development

Dr Justin Coulson - Honorary Fellow, University of Melbourne

14.05 Session 3: Media use in early childhood: cognitive development, play and education

Dr Jordy Kaufman, Swinburne University

Dr Kate Highfield, Swinburne University

Jonathan Anstock, M.Ed, *Protecting Childhood*

15.35 Afternoon tea

15.55 Panel: Who has a role to play in promoting healthy use of media?

Facilitator: Prof Elizabeth Handsley

Panel members - Prof Susan Edwards, Dr Justin Coulson, Jenny Buckland (ACTF);

Harriet Hiscock; Clare McHugh (ECA), Dr Lisa Mundy (MCRI) & Phillip Spratt (ACSSO)

16.40 Closing Remarks - Prof Elizabeth Handsley

16.45 End of conference program