Learning Together in a Media Saturated Culture

On the Cooney Center blog, Sonia Livingstone, Professor of Social Psychology at The London School of Economics and Political Science, shares her foreword for the recent Families and Media Project book, *Children and Families in the Digital Age*, on promoting children's learning amid the rise of digital media.

From Innovative Ideas to Igniting Implementation

When *Mind Meets Music* set out to expand the reach of their music-based academic achievement program, they utilized the Cooney Center’s report, *Getting a Read on the App Stores*, to inform their research and development. Released in 2017, their app is now an invaluable tool in supporting underserved students and increasing academic success rates.

Podcasts for Families: Meet the Makers of Eleanor Amplified

Are you on the lookout for good podcasts to listen to with children? We’re thrilled to introduce *Podcasts for Families*, a new series by youth services librarian Carissa Christner. Follow along to meet the producers of some of the liveliest podcasts for kids and learn more about the craft of creating engaging audio stories that families can enjoy together.
Upcoming Events

- **Webinar: Tapping the Potential of NextGen Technology | February 27**
  The role of technology in early learning is growing as fast as our children. So how is technology really being used to support parents of infants and toddlers? Find out in the Early Learning Lab's webinar on Tuesday, February 27 at 3pm ET.

- **Book Launch Event: Children and Families in the Digital Age | March 14**
The Bay Area Children’s Media Group, the Joan Ganz Cooney Center at Sesame Workshop, Digital Promise, and Common Sense Media present *Children and Families in the Digital Age*. The panel conversation will highlight research conducted as part of the Families and Media Project, featuring researchers who are exploring the ways in which families with young children are using media together for learning and communication.

- **Dust or Magic Masterclass in Bologna | March 25**
The 5th Annual Dust or Magic Masterclass brings leading digital experts together for demos and deep conversation about trends and design issues affecting children’s publishing.

View more on the [Cooney Center Events Calendar](#).

What We're Reading

- **In the Digital Home, How Do Parents Support Their Children, and Who Supports Them?**
- **The Gap Between The Science On Kids And Reading, And How It Is Taught**
- **Laptops And Phones In The Classroom: Yea, Nay Or A Third Way?**
- **What The Screen Time Experts Do With Their Own Kids**
- **How to Help Kids Create Media, Not Just Consume It**