

# **Child**Lab



## What is the ChildLab?

- We are a group of developmental psychologists and educators from Liverpool Hope University interested in how children (aged from birth-16) develop and grow.
- We work on different topics such as children's learning, understanding, and emotions.
- We are looking for families to be part of our research community.

#### How do we study Children and Adolescents' development?

- Our research is based on age-appropriate fun games and tasks, for children and families.
- Our studies will help us gain more knowledge on how children develop and change.
- We realise how important your children are to you and we want to understand more about them.

Parent Feedback "I would highly recommend anybody to take their child to Liverpool Hope University's Childlab for their research projects. My daughter had a great time and really enjoyed the experience and I felt really good about helping with the research. We enjoyed it so much we have signed up the rest of the family for future projects!

#### Who does the research?

All studies are run by experienced researchers and trained research assistants from Liverpool Hope University. All researchers have a valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.



#### What happens during a visit?

When you and your child arrive at our lab, we will provide you with refreshments and further information about the study you will be participating in. If you and your child are happy to participate, you will then be asked to read and sign our consent form. Most of our studies will involve interviewing your child about thoughts and feelings relating to everyday social situations, or educational tasks. Once the study is completed.

we will be happy to answer any additional questions you may have.

#### How long does it take to participate in a study?

On average, it takes between 30 minutes and 1 hour to participate in one of our studies.

#### What happens if I change my mind about participating?

At any point leading up to, during, or after the study, you and your child are free to withdraw from participation.



#### Confidentiality and privacy

We really value and respect you and your child's contribution. The data that we collect for our studies is stored in a secure place within a password-protected file. This makes sure that nobody besides the researchers has access to the data. All projects have been approved by Liverpool Hope University Ethics committee.

#### Where will the study be conducted?

The ChildLab is housed on the ground floor of the Health Science building, Hope Park Campus (Taggart Avenue, L16 9JD).

When we schedule your visit, we will provide you with a map of our campus and information regarding where to park. From that point, one of our researchers will meet you at the car park and walk you over to our lab. We will provide you with a parking permit.

### Joining the ChildLab

If you are expecting a baby or have a child, and you are interested in taking part in our research, please contact us at:

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