



## Seminar Programme

**Opening Speakers:** Main exhibition Hall 10.00 – 10.40am

**Companies:** ACE Centre and the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

**Name of presenters:** Anna Reeves and Gary Derwent

**Title:** “The future of AAC services: A framework for equitable and effective commissioning”

**Brief description:** What will provision of AAC services and equipment look like in the Brave New World of health and education commissioning? Considerable efforts have been made to improve AAC provision in recent years and the ‘Health and Social Care Act’ and ‘Children and Families Bill’ offer significant opportunities for change and improvement for children and young people who need and use AAC. The recent DfE-funded AAC Grants Programme has developed a framework to address the challenges and identify ways forward to ensure more children have improved access to AAC services and provision. Gary will give an overview of DfE project and CRG from a London perspective and discuss the current status of commissioning AAC in London and the importance of continuing to refer for AAC, even amidst the confused funding situation plus what people can do to help the situation.

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10.45 – 11.15	<p><b>Company:</b> The Whitehouse Consultancy  <b>Presenter:</b> Oliver Cardinali/Gary Jones  <b>Title:</b> Children and Families Bill Workshop</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            The Whitehouse Consultancy, a public affairs agency with an expertise in health and education policy – including special educational needs, will give an update on the progress of the Children and Families Bill, the issues that have emerged or have been resolved during the Bill’s Committee stage, and the impact the Bill is likely to have on organisations supporting children and young people with SEN and particularly speech and language communication needs.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Splash City  <b>Presenter:</b> David Colven &amp; Cath Sanderson  <b>Title:</b> Splash! Access to Maths and Science</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            The capabilities of Splash! software will be demonstrated focussing on the access it provides to Math and Science from KS1 to GCSE for students with severe physical disabilities.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Drake Music  <b>Presenter:</b>  <b>Title:</b> Assistive Music Technology in the classroom</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            Demonstration of how Assistive Music Technology is used in the classroom, and how Drake Music uses it to break down disabling barriers.</p>

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11.20 – 11.50	<p><b>Company:</b> CENMAC  <b>Presenter:</b> Trish Davidson  <b>Title:</b> The Local Offer, what can CENMAC offer  <b>Brief description:</b>            CENMAC is your 'Local Service' offering assessment, loan of equipment, training and review of progress for pupils who need Assistive technology or start out communication devices. How can we fit into the Local Authority's 'Local Offer'. Come and discuss.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> TechCess  <b>Presenter:</b> Ian Foulger  <b>Title:</b> Introducing a new simple and effective keyboard and switch based communication aid from Techcess.  <b>Brief description:</b>            Ian Foulger will introduce the all new Allora. The Allora is a keyboard and switch accessible, text to speech, communication device. It is designed to meet the needs of people that are literate, who have reduced or little ability to speak and whose motor skills require a device that can adapt to change but maintain access for the user. Attendees will have a chance to get to know the new device and ask questions about it.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Assistive Solutions  <b>Presenter:</b> David Baxter-Williams  <b>Title:</b> Using software to aid communications.  <b>Brief description:</b>            We will be looking at WordQSpeakQ as a facilitating tool to allow non-verbal and people with disabilities to express themselves.</p>
11.55 – 12.25	<p><b>Company:</b> Warwickshire ICT Development Service and Active Robots  <b>Presenter:</b> Colin Talbot  <b>Title:</b> The Robots Are Coming  <b>Brief description:</b>            Pupils in mainstream and special schools have been learning about robotics and programming through a day of challenge, excitement and fun with NAO the humanoid robot and LEGO Education resources. Come along and meet the robots!</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Widget Software  <b>Presenter:</b> Simon Burr  <b>Title:</b> Making Symbol Supported Materials On PC, iPad and Online.  <b>Brief description:</b>            Two new symbol writing tools from Widget; SymWriter and SymWriter Online, give new options and more flexibility than ever before to create engaging and accessible symbol-supported materials.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Ability World Ltd  <b>Presenter:</b> David Weatherburn  <b>Title:</b> Oracle AAC – a new 'core words' teaching resource  <b>Brief description:</b>            Oracle AAC (Oracy via Core Language Education), is a new developmental tool that assists therapists, teachers, parents and carers in helping a learner who requires the use of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) to develop skills in using language.            Oracle AAC provides an easy and practical step-by-step guide that helps the learner to put the vocabulary together to create meaningful and grammatical (English) sentences. All the resources included in the Oracle AAC pack have been printed with an almost invisible code which contains 'sound' information - simply touch a symbol or word with the Oracle Pen and it will speak the word stored in the code! The printed resources include communication boards, teaching / practice boards, symbols cards, memory cells and the Oracle AAC talking pen.</p>

## BREAK FOR LUNCH 12.30- 1.00PM

Time	Seminar Room 1: Board Room	Seminar Room 2: DT Room	Seminar Room 3: G21 Room
1.00 – 1.30pm	<p><b>Company:</b> Skoogmusic  <b>Presenter:</b> Dr Ben Schogler  <b>Title:</b> School of Skoog  <b>Brief description:</b>                      Tips and tricks for using skoog with a range of student populations for music and cross curricular activities. And if you don't know what Skoog is there will be some hands on introduction too. Hand outs provided. Come and meet Skoog and Dr Ben.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Crick Software  <b>Presenter:</b> Cath Marsh  <b>Title:</b> Using Clicker 6 and Clicker Apps to improve literacy across the school  <b>Brief description:</b>                      Join Cath Marsh and see how the BETT Award winning Clicker 6 and new Clicker apps can be used to improve literacy of your pupils with computer or iPad. Cath will show you how the improved version of Clicker will save you time when creating resources while giving your pupils more independence to achieve. The new Clicker apps, will allow you utilise aspects on Clicker 6 on the iPad.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> The MOVE Partnership  <b>Presenter:</b> Di Rickard  <b>Title:</b> Increasing choice through the MOVE Programme  <b>Brief description:</b>                      An explanation of how increasing a child's ability to move through the MOVE Programme impacts on their ability to make choices &amp; begin to gain control over their lives.</p>
1.35 – 2.05pm	<p><b>Company:</b> Logan Technologies  <b>Presenter:</b> Adrian Hibbert  <b>Title:</b> The Logan ProxPAD - the 'pad' for children who need tangible objects and tags to manage verbal output  <b>Brief description:</b>                      Now there is a device for children with limited hand function and/or visual impairment who need tangible objects and tags to access verbal output! The unique Touch or SWIPE action on the ProxPAD makes it easy for children with limited language, hand function and/or visual impairment to communicate choices and comment in a variety of ways and settings. Making tags with the ProxTalker App means you can make real picture resources to support any classroom activity for this group of children.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Possum Ltd  <b>Presenter:</b> Ian Watkins  <b>Title:</b> Evolving Technology  <b>Brief description:</b>                      New concepts in environmental control from Possum.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Plingtoys  <b>Presenter:</b> Zak Mohmed  <b>Title:</b> The Magic Cloud: the power of learners and teachers linking physical and digital media  <b>Brief description:</b>                      The Magic Cloud makes linking physical objects to digital media accessible to all learners. The simply interface lets learners link, and re-link, any physical object to their choice of picture, video, sound, or even video clip using the webcam, with incredible ease. They can then play the media simply by placing their object on the Magic Cloud. In this way, learners of all ages are able to capture, play, share, reflect and present their ideas, over and over again.</p>

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2.10 – 2.40pm	<p><b>Company:</b> MyChoicePad  <b>Presenter:</b> Zoe Peden  <b>Title:</b> Increasing your Makaton communication skills and confidence with MyChoicePad</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            Be inspired by practical ideas and example case studies on how to improve communication skills and enable communication using Makaton with MyChoicePad.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> RSLSteeper  <b>Presenter:</b> Shaun McCormack  <b>Title:</b> Switch Access for iPad</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            A chance to hear about our latest products including switch access for the iPad and the latest in Tobii eyegaze.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Inclusive Technology  <b>Presenter:</b> Steve Barton  <b>Title:</b> Inclusive Eye Gaze Learning Curve</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            An introduction to the Inclusive Eye Gaze software due for release this summer. From Cause and Effect to Communication and Learning. The first ever collection of over 54 fun and engaging interactive activities specially created to teach early eye gaze access and develop choice making skills. This collection takes individuals on the learning curve from assessment and cause and effect understanding through to using eye gaze for communication, learning and leisure.</p>
2.45 – 3.15pm	<p><b>Company:</b> Smartbox Assistive Technology Ltd  <b>Presenter:</b> Jess Wright  <b>Title:</b> Look To Learn</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            Sensory Software's new activity set Look to Learn is a fun way of enabling everyone to use eye gaze technology. Starting with simple cause and effect activities, Look to Learn provides a pathway of learning for eye gaze users.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> SEN Technology  <b>Presenter:</b> Adam Teitge  <b>Title:</b> Supporting Educational Needs with SEN Technology</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            Looking at how communication and learning issues can be met by existing and future technology. Ranging from word prediction, voice recognition and alternative access for blind and low vision users. Examples of this technology include Dolphin SuperNova, textHELP Read&amp;Write, Dragon NaturallySpeaking, MindView, Inspiration and the upcoming Lernstift Pens.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Charlton Park Academy and The Rix Centre  <b>Presenters:</b> Harry Thomas (student) Kathryn Stowell and Gosia Kwiatkowska  <b>Title:</b> A voice for now and the future</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>            The use of easy build wikis for person-centred planning. Beginning with a pilot project to support our AAC users with the use of graphic facilitation in person-centred planning to this year using online wikis provided by the Rix Centre for all students and families in the Academy. Find out how this is supporting collaborative working, a person-centred approach and a meaningful tool for self-advocacy.</p>

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3.20 – 3.50pm	<p><b>Company:</b> Toby-Churchill  <b>Presenter:</b> Sophie Wilson  <b>Title:</b> Communication for literate students</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>  A demonstration of devices designed for literate people; the Lightwriter and the Rolltalk Nova software. And a case study of how a Lightwriter can be used in the classroom.</p>	<p><b>Company:</b> Switch Ed  <b>Presenter:</b> John Kopelciw  <b>Title:</b> Doo-zy Switch</p> <p><b>Brief description:</b>  Switch-Ed will be giving a full demonstration of the Doo-zy switch showing its full potential using low and high tech toys and equipment. The demonstration is designed to stimulate your imagination to help you understand how to combine the features so you can use this truly flexible switch communicator that is equally comfortable being used in the classroom as well as the home environment.</p>	



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## MARKET PLACE

During Communication Works 2013, our students will be running Market Place - Charlton Park Academy's students' enterprise. There will be hot and cold food, drinks, gifts and our organic garden produce. Please support our students as the funds raised will go to our charity, Charlton Park Academy Fund.

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