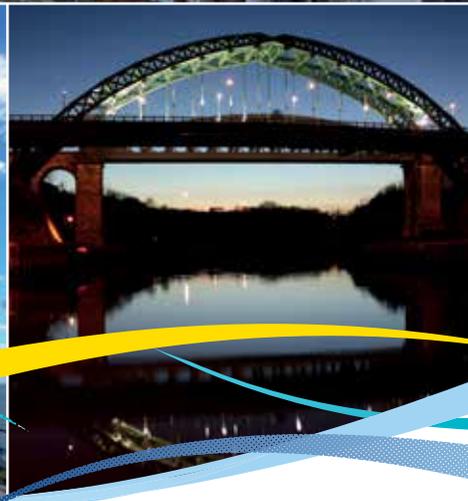


# Early Education

The British Association for Early Childhood Education

## Annual National Conference 2017

Hosted by the Sunderland branch



### Now there's a thought...

Exploring the potential and power of children's thinking

5 and 6 May 2017, University of Sunderland, St Peter's campus

#### SPEAKERS:

Professor Alison Gopnik  
Professor Iram Siraj

Elizabeth Carruthers  
Dr Kathy Ring



### Alison Gopnik

Alison Gopnik is a professor of psychology and affiliate professor of philosophy at the University of California at Berkeley. She is an internationally recognised leader in the study of children’s learning and development. She is the author of several books including *Words, thoughts and theories* (coauthored with Andrew Meltzoff), *The Scientist in the Crib* (coauthored with Andrew Meltzoff and Patricia Kuhl) and *The Philosophical Baby; What children’s minds tell us about love, truth and the meaning of life* and, most recently, *The Gardener and the Carpenter*.



### Iram Siraj

Iram is Professor of Education at University College London and the University of Wollongong, Australia. Her recent research projects have included the major DCSF 17-year study on Effective Pre-school, Primary and Secondary Education (EPPSE 3-16, 1997-2014) and of the influential Researching Effective Pedagogy in the Early Years project (REPEY). Recently she undertook reviews of the Implementation of the Foundation Phase for the Welsh Government (2014) and the early years workforce for the Scottish Government (2015). Her recent quality rating scales include The Sustained, Shared Thinking and Emotional Well-being (SSTEW) scale (2015, Siraj, Kingston, & Melhuish).



### Elizabeth Carruthers

Elizabeth Carruthers is a National Leader of Education and is Headteacher of Redcliffe Nursery School, Children’s Centre, National Teaching School and Research Base, Bristol. She has taught in all phases of education but her focus for the past twenty years has been on birth to eight years. She has published articles and books on mathematics education and her work with Maulfry Worthington was recommended by the Williams Mathematics Review, 2008. She is presently studying for a PhD in Mathematics Education, at Bristol University, partly funded by the Martin Hughes Scholarship Fund.



### Kathy Ring

Formerly Senior Lecturer in Early Years Education at York St John University, Kathy is an Early Education Associate and Independent Consultant. She is the co-author of ‘Making Sense of Children’s Drawings’ (OUP, 2003) and contributed to ‘Mark Making Matters’ (DCSF, 2008). Her research investigates the environmental factors that impact upon young children as meaning makers. Kathy is currently involved in action research with early years practitioners developing studio spaces within their settings.

## Provisional programme

### Friday 5 May 2017 Pre-conference visits and welcome events

1.00 – 4.00pm Visit to schools/settings

5.15 – 9.00pm Visit to the National Glass Centre Sunderland, entertainment and supper

### Saturday 6 May 2017 Main conference programme

9.00am Registration

9.30am Welcome

9.45am **When children are better (or, at least, more open-minded)**

**learners than adults** – Alison Gopnik

11.45 am **Quality pedagogy and play matters: using the SSTEW scale to improve quality interactions and child wellbeing during play** - Iram Siraj

2.00pm **Listening to children’s mathematics - opening up a culture of mathematical enquiry** - Elizabeth Carruthers

2.45pm **Thinking is making: developing a studio space** - Kathy Ring

4.00pm Close of conference

### Further details and online booking:

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