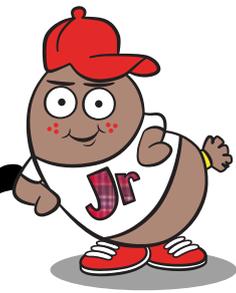


# haggeye jnr and friends



Haggeye Jnr is RNIB Scotland's project for children with sight loss aged 5 to 12 years old. Haggeye Jnrs will organise fun activities and events for members, their siblings, parents and carers.

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# Welcome!

It has been a busy time for Haggeye Jnr and friends, with various events and activities taking place over the summer months.

We hope you enjoy this issue, with news about recent events along with the Funzine and Friend's Focus by Eilidh where she talks about her experience of using technology.

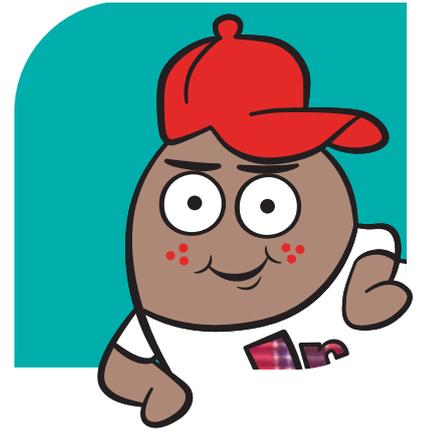
Happy reading!

**Haggeye Jnr**

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# News and Views



Over 80 people joined in on family fun at RNIB Scotland's Education Family Services Shape and Share event at Forth Valley Sensory Centre on 25 June 2016.

Haggeye Jnr had a fantastic time with Haggeye Jnr members who participated in tactile storytelling, giant games and arts and crafts.

Haggeye Jnr is excited about the next event and is looking forward to seeing everyone again!





# Join Haggeye Jnr at fun events!

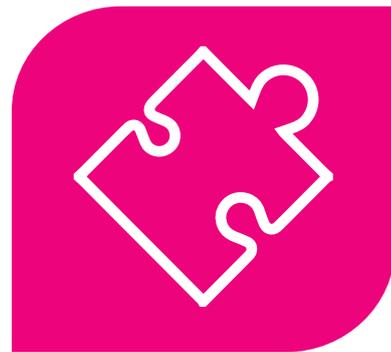
The next fun filled Shape and Share event, where Jnr and friends will come together is:

- Festive Fun 3 December 2016 in Stirling

## **Fun Facts: technology tablets!**

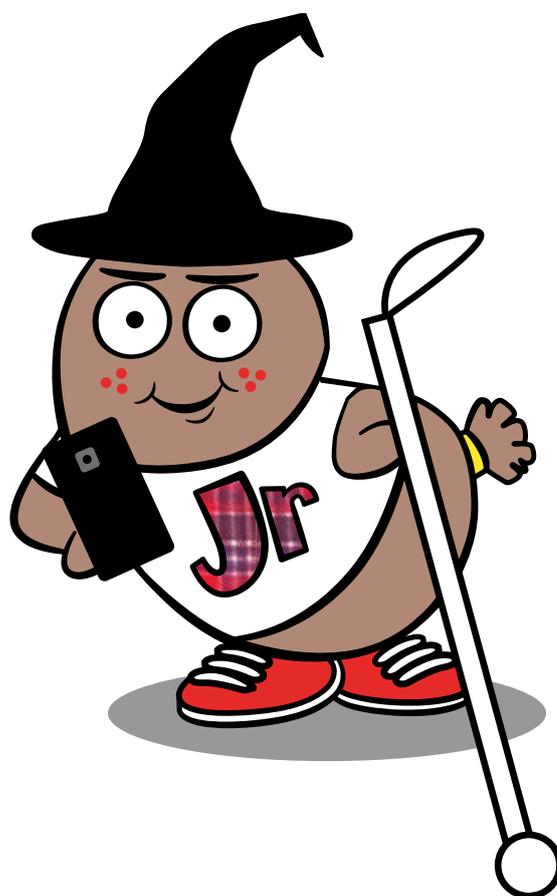
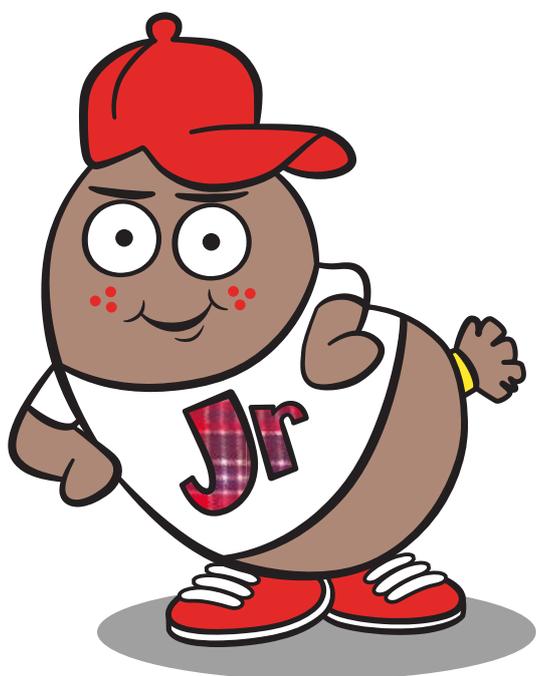
The first tablet type product was designed in the 1960s by Alan Kay and colleagues but due to the technological limitations of the time it was never available to buy. It was not until 1989 when the first tablet was available to buy. More recently we have seen the launch of various tablets including the Apple iPad, Samsung Galaxy Tab, Google Nexus, Microsoft Surface and Amazon Kindle Fire. Apple's iPad was the first tablet to achieve major success amongst consumers, selling more than 300 million units since 2010!

# Funzine Jnr puzzle



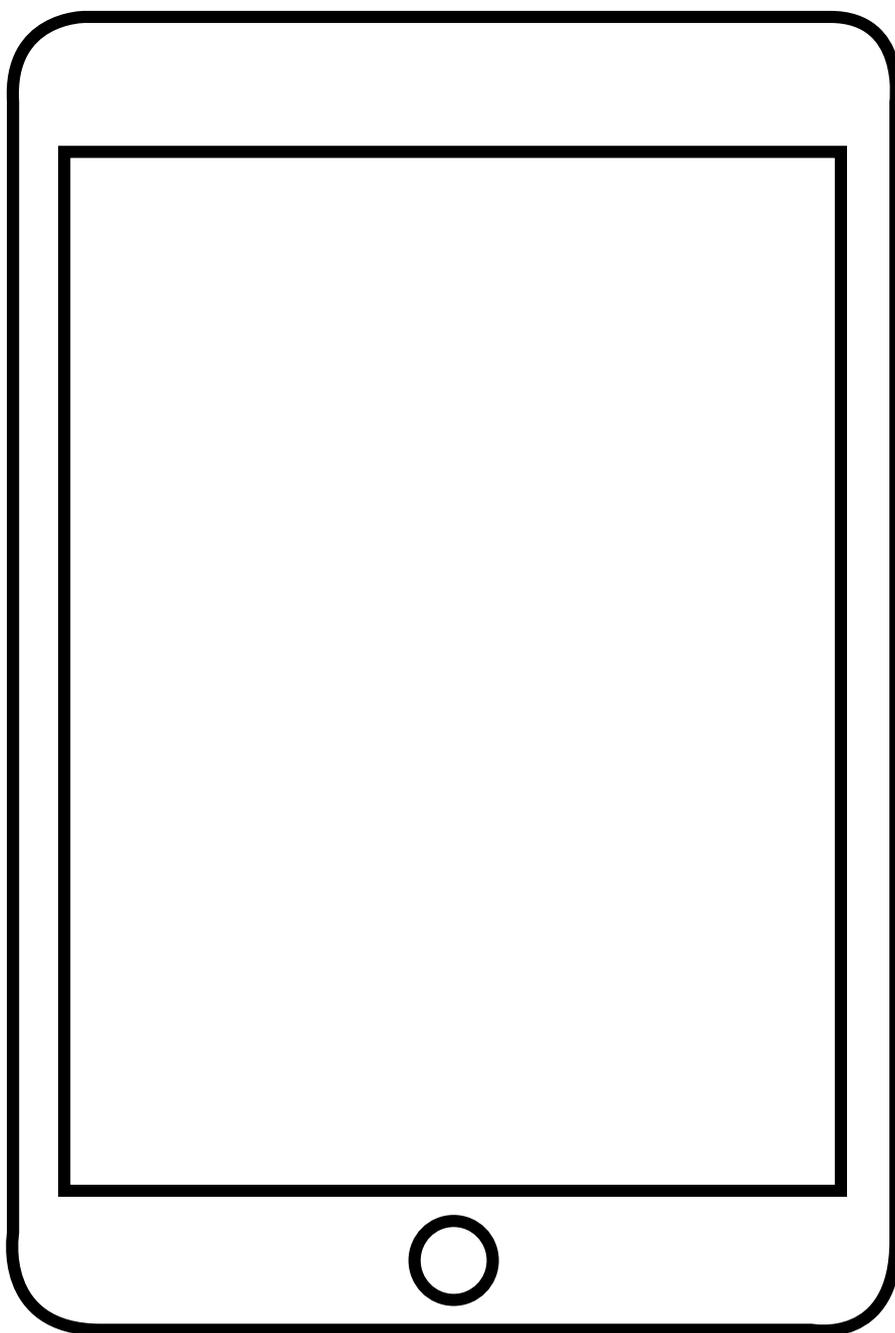
Spot the difference

There are three  
differences in the picture.  
Can you spot them?



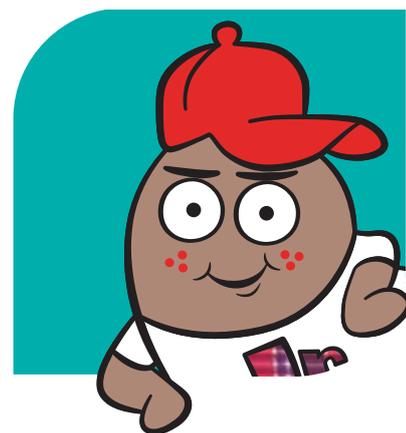


# Tactile Tablet



Why not colour or decorate your tablet and design your apps, using glitter, smelly pens and stickers? Why not have fun together and decorate your tactile tablet with an adult?

# Funzine Jokes!



- **As two caterpillars were crawling along, a butterfly flew overhead. One turned to the other and said,**  
“You’ll never get me up in one of those things!”
- **What subject is a witch good at in school?**  
Spelling!
- **Why is Turtle Wax so expensive?**  
Because turtles have such tiny ears.

# Funzine Teasers



- **It is impossible for most people to lick their own elbow. Try it!**
- **Almonds are a member of the peach family.**
- **‘Dreamt’ is the only English word that ends in the letters mt**

Source: [www.kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/jokes/index.htm](http://www.kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/jokes/index.htm) July 2016



# Jnr's Technology Quiz

When was the first tablet available to buy?

Who designed the first tablet?

Name three brands of tablet?

What tablet brand was the first to achieve significant consumer success?

How many units has iPad sold since 2010?

Answers can be found in Fun Facts!



# Jnr's Journal



Since our last issue Haggeye Jnr has journeyed on a steam train from Aviemore to Broomhill, sailed on a canal boat at the Falkirk Wheel, visited RNIB Connect Radio and paraded down the Royal Mile in Edinburgh for the opening of the Scottish Parliament!

Let us know where Haggeye Jnr has been with you, so Jnr can fill up the journal with all the exciting adventures. Why not send a photo by using the contact details on the back page?

## Top Tips!

Visit: [rnib.org.uk/campaigning](http://rnib.org.uk/campaigning) and get involved.



## Friend's Focus

In this issue 'Friend's Focus' discusses how useful technology can be in all aspects of life.

**Tremendous technology by Eilidh, who is part of the haggeye jnr & friends editorial team.**

Technology is really helpful because you can enlarge and listen to stuff for school or when you are at home. It really helps people with a visual impairment get access easily to things sighted people take for granted!

I use technology most in classes at school, to help me enlarge the worksheets. Teachers will send me the slide shows in advance of their class, so when I am in class I can see it clearly on my own screen, and in the size and colours I like best, without straining my eyes. I have my textbooks downloaded into my library so I can access them too.





There are lots of helpful apps available. Some I use are a big talking scientific calculator app, talking books, digital books and also 'one drive' which you use through GLOW (from the

education department), to keep sent work stored safely. I have even tried technology to allow me to join my individual screen to the teacher's smart board!

When I just started secondary school in S1 I didn't want to take my technology out because I was scared that people would laugh at me, as I was the only person in the class with technology. I am now in S4 and I take my technology out every lesson and use it all the time for everything. It has made a big difference and helped me not be as tired as I don't have to strain my eyes. I think I should have just gone for it earlier!

It's amazing what a bit of confidence can do!



I also use technology to phone or text people, or use GPS to find my way when I am lost. It is great, to always tell someone what you are up to, what's gone wrong or just to say a friendly 'hi'. In my three and a half years at secondary school I have found this useful to keep in touch with my friends and to find them when it is lunchtime, as I can't see them in the canteen!

It's really good for homework and revision for all my subjects and you can find out more stuff by letting the technology read you info from the web. I am taking chemistry, physics, history, maths and English this year and I wouldn't manage without the amazing technology (or the great support from my fab teachers). For things like tiny small diagrams in the textbooks, graphs and things that are the wrong colour, I can take a photo of them and change it to what I need immediately!



I can touch type and I have a keyboard attached to my technology by Bluetooth. This is great because I can type faster and be done my work (like an essay) before the rest of the class! This is handy when it comes to redrafting - they all have to type it up and I just change wee bits.

Hope you get good stuff from technology too!



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accessing technology:  
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