

# Digital Technologies

*Going beyond the expected*



## The Education Fellowship

News about digital literacy, computer science and information technologies.

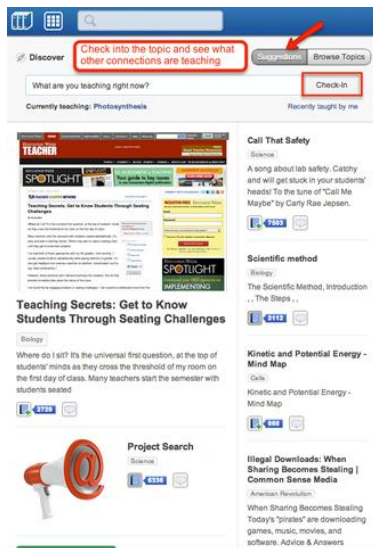
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## Edmodo tip: How to use Discover



Why reinvent the wheel when other teachers can share reliable and relevant digital content? Teachers can discover and share content based on what they're teaching or researching. Discover enables easy discovery of resources and allows you to browse by topics. For example, teachers can search for a video to show on mitosis for today's lesson by checking into or browsing the topic for Mitosis.

### How to Check In to What you Teach

- 1) Click "**Discover**" on the left panel of the homepage.
- 2) Start typing in a **topic** (Maths, Linear Equations, Mitosis, etc.) and **select topic** from dropdown list
- 3) Once checked in, click "**update my suggestions**" under the check in box to update resources related to the topic.
  - **Currently Teaching:** what topic you are currently checked in with
  - **Recently Taught by Me:** all past topics you have checked in with

*Note: Teachers can check in as often as they would like to update what they are teaching and view different topics.*



We can now confirm the slogan for Safer Internet Day next year - "**Let's create a better internet together!**" - a positive call to action appealing to everyone to play an active role in making the internet a better place. Safer Internet Day will take place on **Tuesday, 11 February 2014.**



GameMaker Studio is now available free for all students interested in programming. It can be downloaded from:

[www.yoyogames.com/gamemaker/studio](http://www.yoyogames.com/gamemaker/studio)

## So what is the **NETSMARTZ LESSON BUILDER?**



It's our newest planning tool for educators where you can:

- Browse through our library of over 100 resources.
- Create customized Internet & real-world safety lessons.
- Download all of the resources in a lesson with a single click.
- Share your lessons with colleagues.
- Do all of this for free!

[www.netsmartz.org](http://www.netsmartz.org)

**STOP**  
**cyberbullying**

Home of "Don't Stand By, Stand Up," StopCyberbullying was the first cyberbullying prevention program to go online. Its specially-trained young volunteers design and deliver community programs to help their peers address cyberbullying. StopCyberbullying's founder, Parry Aftab, calls them her "cyberarmy" empowered to tackle this important issue. These teens and tweens staff their own text messaging support line for other young people, build apps to promote kindness, and provide student peer support in their schools. You can access their resources and download the new free Alex Wonder Kid Cyberdetective Agency Game to help stop cyberbullying.

[www.stopcyberbullying.org](http://www.stopcyberbullying.org)



We have a free e-book from Microsoft on Programming Windows 8 applications with HTML, CSS and JavaScript. The primary focus is on applying these web technologies within the Windows 8 platform. If you or your students would like a copy then please contact:

[albinwallace@educationfellowship.net](mailto:albinwallace@educationfellowship.net)



### **Scratch 2.0 Now Available**

The newest version of Scratch is now available free from MIT.

Go to [scratch.mit.edu](http://scratch.mit.edu) to explore all of the latest functionality, including web-based project authoring, and the addition of new features -- such as cloning, make a block, and cloud variables.

### **Online Safety at Warwick and Blackthorn Primary School**

It was great to spend time in both Warwick and Blackthorn primary schools working with students, parents and staff on digital citizenship and online safety. All our courses accredited by CEOP and are available free of charge to all TEF academies.



## Digital Champions in association with The Transformation Trust

The Education Fellowship has been given 75 free tickets to Rock Assembly 2013 for students who enroll in the BT Digital Champions programme for next year.

The Transformation Trust advises us that the loudest and most glamorous assembly ever, Rock Assembly 2013 in association with BT, will be taking place at Wembley Arena on Wednesday 10 July.

To take part during 2013-2014, students may sign up to the

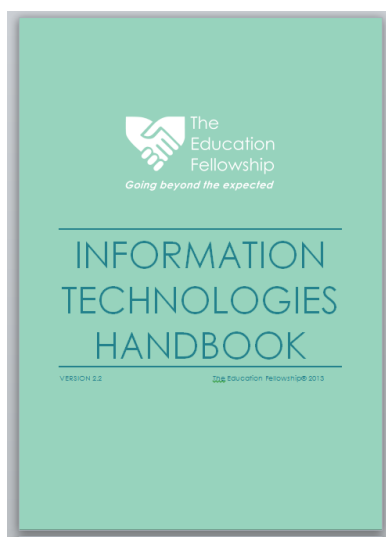
BT Digital Champions programme ([btdigitalchampions.com](http://btdigitalchampions.com))

This is an enjoyable and flexible activity for schools which is easy to run, and benefits students and the community. Students donate an hour of their time to help others get online.

The line-up for the concert will be announced soon, as well as information about this year's University Village so make sure you keep checking the above website and Twitter ([twitter.com/the\\_ttrust](https://twitter.com/the_ttrust)) for more details.

If you would like some tickets for your students then please drop me a line ([albinwallace@educationfellowship.net](mailto:albinwallace@educationfellowship.net)) and I'll make sure you get them.

### **TEF Information Technologies Handbook**



The Education Fellowship Information Technologies Handbook (v 2.2) is now ready to download from the TEF intranet. For access to the intranet or to have a copy emailed to you, please contact [albinwallace@educationfellowship.net](mailto:albinwallace@educationfellowship.net)



To help us understand and improve the way in which Edmodo helps students in TEF academies, I would be grateful if you could take a moment to fill in a short TEF survey, which you can find at the following website.

Information will be kept confidential and only statistical data will be reported on. You do not have to fill in the survey but it would be very helpful if you would.

To complete the survey, please go to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BCPWBNT>