

Q Julia Bishop (researcher)  
Q2 Beth Nutbrown (researcher)  
A Marina (mum)  
C Anna (7)  
D John (5)

Q So we're looking at Fortnite dances here. Do you both like those?

D I don't.

Q You don't like them?

A You like the Fortnite.

C Mum you like the song don't you?

D I like the Fortnite guns.

Q And you prefer the guns.

D Fortnite guns.

*Song plays*

A We sing, don't we?

Q Oh go on, sing for us now, you've got a lovely voice.

C Alexa! The Man That Can't Be Moved.

A That's a different song.

Alexa You are asking for the song The Man Who Can't Be Moved, is that right?

C No.

D Yes.

Q How does she respond if there's a disagreement?

Alexa ???

Q I don't actually know what the other one does.

Q2 You asked Alexa to play it?

D Yeah.

Q Just leave it for now ??? don't think it goes into anything.

*Plays song*

Q John, let's have a look.

A Alexa! Turn off please.

C Alexa! Start from beginning.

A They're not going to match.

Q ???

C Alexa! Pause. Alexa! Play The Man That Can't Be Moved.

Alexa The Man Who Can't Be Moved by The Script on Amazon Music.

*Plays song*

Q Oh we've got an echo effect going on here haven't we?

Q2 It's like an echo isn't it?

Q Have you done that before? Anna, have you done that before?

C I was trying to turn it off but it didn't like it. Then ??? can you turn it off at the same time. Alexa! Alexa! Alexa! Play The Man That Can't Be Moved.

Alexa He is the man who ???

C ???

Q I'm going to....the voice recorder, got everything going. Not going ??? So here's some that you did I think. Who did this one? This is the one where it's all sort of in the dark and you're watching something on TV is it, or....

D Yeah the TV. And I'm....

C Was I there?

D And I was just putting my iPad on the telly to watch people, it pretends.

Q Oh right OK, so are you putting your iPad on the TV?

D Yeah.

Q Do you mean that you were....

D I was dangling it on the telly.

Q Oh I see.

D On the top of it.

Q What, on that telly? Oh no, this was at your nannan's house was it, or is it here?

D At nannan's.

A You be careful, we're trying to watch.

D ??? like a telly but it's a robot telly, it has arms.

Q Oh I see. Wow. So you are pretending with the iPad.

D Yeah, and it type in somewhere and nobody....it's in the sky now because it can fly, it flies.

Q That's great. Where did you get the idea from for that, it was brilliant.

C ???

Q Oh making the pumpkins.

A Come on let's watch these videos guys, come on.

Q John...

A Oh that might be better, yeah. They might be too dark.

Q They're super pumpkins, they are very beautifully carved.

A Careful.

D Look, mine is already going up.

C There's a pool.

Q2 Brilliant.

Q John, I think this is a film you made, do you want to have a look?

C I'm going to make a film of you.

Q2 You're going to make a film of us?

C Yeah.

Q That's a good idea.

*Plays film*

Q Do you remember doing this?

D Yeah. I was doing the squeaky voice.

A You haven't got a squeaky voice.

Q Were you holding the camera John, or did you wear it?

D I weared it.

C I'm going to take a picture of Beth and Julia.

Q That's that one there. So if we go on that one it takes us to the next one.

D It's upside down.

Q Yes. That makes me think you might have been holding the camera. Speaking to the camera like that.

C I'm going to get video on and video them.

D ??? play house.

Q Yes.

D Got some ??? we go and find the ??? and ???

Q Yeah they are, they're lovely those pumpkins.

D So now I'm going away.

Q OK.

D The fire engine, look.

C Alexa! Play Ghostbusters.

D I don't know what this is.

Q What's that?

D A camera.

Q Oh, it looks like a sort of memory disc there.

D They don't have them.

Q No, toys don't have jet packs, you're quite right there. So you have to be the jet pack. Wow, look at that.

D Those are pretend.

Q Yeah? It's still really cool. You're so acrobatic.

D I don't like him.

Q You don't like him?

D No.

Q Thank you that was....sorry Marina, let's get back to this. ??? So you've sent me so me so many beautiful photos and films, I think I've got 45 of them so I'm not sure how many we'll get through, but they are wonderful. And I just wondered if you could talk me through a little bit of what we're seeing on each one? I wasn't sure how to interpret....

A Alexa! Can you turn off for me please.

Alexa Sorry, what's that?

A Turn off please, Alexa!

C Alexa! Switch off.

Q That was interesting. I think you put your teacher voice on then Anna didn't you, and it worked.

A It never works for me.

Q You're too polite with it I think! But it's interesting isn't it, so did the children tell you about how to be with Alexa as well, or is it just like Anna did then?

A Yeah. Because I'll say 'turn off' or I'll ask for a song, and they'll not do it. These two will say it and it will work straightaway. It's weird.

Q I know, yeah. OK. So this is Harry Potter I'm guessing on this one?  
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A Yeah. It was World Book Day and they could dress up as whatever they wanted. We'd been to Asda and we saw Harry Potter, and they love Harry Potter, so yeah we got them a Harry Potter.

Q I barely recognise Anna there. The glasses make them look so different don't they?

A Yeah.

Q So did the costumes come from Asda then?

A Yes.

Q Fantastic. And when you say they love Harry Potter, how have they sort of encountered Harry Potter, is the books, the films, or....

A The films. Because the films were on every Sunday and we used to watch them every week.

Q Oh I see.

A So yeah we started to watch Harry Potter and that's how they've got into it. Because it used to be on every Sunday, so that was our Sunday film that.

Q Right, so you went through the whole series did you, all the films?

A Yeah, all of it. They were scared of some of them, you know with the scary faces and things.

Q Oh yeah, the death eaters and everything, they are really scary.

A Yeah. But yeah they loved it. And then when we saw the costumes that's what they wanted to dress up as.

Q That's perfect. And when was that?

A That was World Book Day. I'm sure it's around September time I think it is.

Q So was that like a year ago in September?

A Yes.

Q And was there a big gap between you seeing the films and then those costumes being available for World Book Day, or was it quite recently that you just saw the films?

A It was just, like yeah because they were on. But yeah they do World Book Day and then they do like a Roald Dahl Day, and they still dressed up as Harry Potter for Roald Dahl Day.

Q And do you know does it influence them in their imaginations or their thoughts or their play any other time, do you ever see any evidence of that?

A Also with Roald Dahl Day, Anna wanted to dress up as Matilda. We love Matilda film. And he wanted to go as an Umpa Lumpa but I couldn't get him an outfit, because it's....

Q2 Who is your favourite in here John?

A But yeah they're always doing things at school, so they're always getting dressed up.

Q Yes.

A In a few weeks it's Children in Need, so it's everything spotty. But they're going to do their own t-shirts this year. I've bought them some white t-shirts and we're going to do our own spots on them. So they can do them themselves. So yeah.

Q So they enjoy dressing up/

A They love dressing up, yeah.

Q And is that something that they just enjoy, or have you encouraged it, or have they learnt it from other people like cousins or friends or....

A They've done it since nursery really. Because they were always dressing up at nursery, and Anna loves dressing up and John loves dressing up.

Q Right. So will they dress up in stuff like Roald Dahl, sort of Matilda type costume or Harry Potter costume if it wasn't something at school, a special day or something like that?

A They'll dress up if there's anything.

Q Will they?

A Yeah. They've picked their own outfits for Halloween as well.

Q Oh right, what do you do at Halloween?

A We're going to Blackpool for the day. But usually we go to Heeley City Farm, they have a Halloween thing, and then we just go round to families, so...and parties.

Q Like friends, people that you know and things

A Yeah. We've got three parties. We went to one on Saturday. We went to one on Sunday. And we've got one on ??? And yeah we like to go to different activities and things. Like today we've done pumpkins and Halloween things. But yeah they love dressing up. They'll dress up as anything. He likes his Power Rangers and his superheroes. And Anna likes her ballerina and her princessy stuff. But John's also dressed up as a princess, so....but dad didn't like you dressing up as a girl, did he?

D No.

A He made you take it off. But it's OK isn't it, you can dress up as whatever you want.

D Yeah.

A Yeah.

C Oh this is a right funny girl what John's made.

Q So do they have a big collection of dressing up clothes?

A Not really. They've got a bit because Anna used to do ballet. But yeah every year she always asks for dressing up stuff. And we've got...well we have got quite a bit because every time there is something on we will go and get them a new outfit.

Q Yeah. And what prompts them to dress up would you say, is there anything that might trigger that, so the sort of impetus to go and dress up? Or do they just get it in their heads one day they're going to do that or something? Or does it have to be something like a school event or something like that?

A No, because they'll get dressed up at any time.

Q They'll do it any time, yeah.

A Yeah. And whenever we go to Asda or Tesco's or anywhere she's always finding outfits. She's found a Mary outfit that she wants, and a Mrs Claus outfit, haven't you? So we're just saving up for that now. And John, he wants to be Joseph, but.....so.....are you going to put it away please.

Q Do you often have your hamster with you?

C Do you want to stroke him?

Q Thank you, I'd love to. Just tell me though, does he often accompany you when you're watching technology like that, looking on your iPad and stuff?

C Yeah.

Q Do you have him, do you cuddle up to him and watch the iPad?

C Yeah.

Q And have you got him with you when you're doing all that singing, or do you draw the line at the singing, you have to concentrate then?

C I don't have him when I sing.

Q No. Does he like to do anything when you've got the iPad out?

C Yeah.

Q What does he do, does he just cuddle up or...

C Yeah, he cuddles. If you do a massage, look.

Q That's your favourite thing. Ah.

A He sits on your shoulder and that doesn't he?

C Yeah, he might do.



Q Does he? He's amazingly well-behaved and just docile.

A She tries to take him to school, don't you?

Q Yeah we've heard that story, yeah about how he nearly got into the classroom.

A Go on then, go and play.

C I might listen to his heartbeat now.

A Go and put him away, let him go to sleep. So yeah they'll dress up as anything.

Q And do they sort of like act out and pretend when they've got the costumes on, does it inspire them to do that? Or do they just like the feeling of having the clothes on and stuff?

A They just like having the clothes on.

Q Do they ever have the clothes on and watch the film, do they ever kind of link it up or anything like that?

A No they've never done that.

Q No, that's fine, I just wondered. So what have we got here? [F7c\_20190913\_v001]

A That's Anna in her bedroom doing her own little videos when nobody else is about.

Q Right. How long have you been doing that for?

C I don't know, but my bedroom's changing, on my walls.

Q Oh are you having a bit of a refurbishment?

A We're getting rid of the big bed aren't we because we don't need it any more.

Q Ah, you'll have more space then won't you.

A So yeah she likes doing her own little videos.

Q So did you film that especially for the project, or was it one that....

A That's Anna filming it herself.

Q Oh that's her filming herself.

A Yeah.

Q So what does she do? Does she sort of walk around like this then, holding the iPad out in front of her?

A Yeah, or she'll sit on her bed and 'hi guys'.

Q Right, gosh. Yeah so she's...and has she done....I mean that's obviously something she loves to do, I remember you talking about that the first time we visited.

A Yeah. Ever since me and her dad split up they encouraged that at school. Say if you're on your own or anything, talk to yourself or say your emotions. And then I said 'oh she's got her iPad'. So they said, Miss D\_\_\_ anyway, said....told her what to do, and say your emotions over there. If you can't talk to anybody talk to your iPad and then bring it into school and we can listen to it and then take it from there if you don't want to talk to anybody. And she's done it ever since.

Q I've recorded that, do you mind me recording that?

A No, no that's fine. No that's fine.

Q Because to me that's fascinating, but obviously there's very personal information there so are you sure that's OK Marina?

A Yeah that's fine. Because Anna sometimes, she won't talk about it to other people, she likes to draw about it. And then when she's drawn about it then she'll explain it. But sometimes she'll say 'no mummy I don't want to talk to you about it' but she'll go to school and talk about it. And I think that's nice. So yeah.

Q I just never thought about that use of technology.

A I never even thought of things like that, but they are so brilliant at that school.

Q It's such a creative ???

A They've helped her quite a lot.

Q So do you mind asking how long ago that she would have started that practice?

A About 3 years ago now.

Q Does she in any way kind of keep those films, does she kind of collect them together? Do you think she revisits them? Do you know what she does with them? Or is it just at the time?

C Julia, guess what I've got on my thumb.

Q Oh it's not the hamster is it?

C No. So that sucks blood.

Q Ah. A leech? A Dracula? Ugh....some Dracula teeth? Oh it's a baby Dracula. Oh my gosh.

C A vampire.

Q A vampire, that's what I mean, yes. That's amazing. Love it.

C Do you see its neck? Bleeding.

Q Yeah it's bleeding. Where did you get that from?

C Up in my bed, I didn't know it were in there.

Q Yes, so....

A My dad's got one of those and our John likes to talk to that, so I'm going to get him one of them.

Q The little voice recorder?

A Because then it might help him you see. Because he doesn't like....I don't know, he always says that he's got a squeaky voice. And I say 'you haven't got a squeaky voice'.

Q Oh he said that just now, didn't he? I didn't hear properly what he said but then you helped me by saying.

A Yeah. And I don't think he likes videoing himself. But he loves talking to stuff.

Q Just talking, yeah.

A So that might help him.

Q That's so interesting, because it reminds me a little bit the way they talk to Alexa, she's sort of a bit like a friend, isn't she?

A Yeah, yeah.

Q But she's not, she's a piece of technology. But you know so that thing. So for Anna then, she...to get the story right. So she kind of used it to start recording herself to talk possibly about how she's feeling about things.

A Yeah.

Q But now she does it for performances and that sort of stuff.

A Yeah.

Q But that came afterwards did it, the performing and things, or had she used it? Can you remember?

A It come all afterwards. Because like she used to talk about her emotions and things like that, and then she started watching like Ryan and Jojo.

Q Oh OK, the YouTubers.

A Yeah the YouTubers. And she's like 'oh mum I want to do that'. And then her and my mum started doing little videos. And then she'll go off and do her own thing and do her own little videos and then she'll show me. But then sometimes she doesn't show me and I think 'oh what's she been doing', and so when they're asleep I'll have a look. Yeah, to see what they've been up to. But yeah she's videod some right things.

Q And how do you feel about what they've videod, is it OK, is it just fun, does it surprise you?

A I think it's fine because it's something that you can look back on.

Q Right. Can you think of an example, or what's....

A Well when I'm taking photos when they were a baby, we love looking back at them. And then like when she were little, we've got a video and she's hitting [?] my mum and she'd go 'oh nannan', and we always look back on that. And that's a video. And I think it's brilliant. But I don't know how you download them on to computers and my dad does it all so we can save it. Because your memory goes so fast.

So sometimes she's deleted them and I'm like 'no don't delete them, let's wait'. But yeah. But John, he doesn't really video himself, he likes to play video games. But Anna, she likes to dance and things like that. But I think it is good, because if they can't talk to you she thinks she's talking to somebody, so that somebody's listening to her. So I think it is good. All this new technology I think kids show me what to do. But yeah. It is learning and....

Q Do you feel she's learning as well as sort of being able to unburden her feelings and talk? In that situation do you feel she's learning stuff and...

A Yes she is learning things as well. And she can look back on it as well.

Q Yes, making memories. Do you ever sit and discuss it together, or is it just something you pick up on after she's done it?

A Sometimes she will come home and say 'mummy can we have a talk'. Or we'll sit down with her and....it's like she used to ask lots of questions why me and her dad weren't together and things like that. And then I've heard her even say to Alexa 'why isn't my mummy and daddy together?' and she'll say she's not got the answer.

Q Ah, to Alexa, yeah.

A Yeah. And then she'll come back to what's happened and then she'll say 'Mummy but we're better off, we can do us own things'. So yeah.

Q Yes it's an interesting way of sort of knowing what's going through their minds isn't it because you're able to witness some of this.

A Yeah. But yeah she talks to Alexa a lot, she talks to her iPad a lot. But I've noticed, we'd lost her iPad for a week, we couldn't find it, and it were at my mum's. And in that week she's just...she's not been herself.

Yeah. We've had films on. I think it's been nice sometimes because they haven't had their iPads. But yeah she's like 'mummy but I can't do my videos' and she's felt like she's

lost without it. But I understand, because once when I'd got no phone for a week, I know what she's going through. So she couldn't do her homework.

Q Yes, it just gets embedded in your life doesn't it, you don't realise.

A Yeah. And it's like 'wow'. But when you're on holiday it's totally different isn't it, because you're doing activities, you're doing the beach and swimming pool. But yeah, kids rely on iPads – well everybody do don't they.

Everything's come into technology now.

Q Yes that right, we just perhaps need to get a balance don't we, but yeah everyone's got different views. But this is what's so interesting about it I think, you know your insights into how it is for you and Anna and John you know really are your unique take on it that can be really helpful for other use.

A Yeah. Even to shopping now, and you scan it all yourself and....the kids love doing that. But yeah it's all technology, it's all been took over now. Even when you go to the banks.

Q Yeah. Does Anna like to share her more creative ones, the singing and dancing?

A Yeah.

Q Because you're into singing and dancing too aren't you?

A Yeah I love singing and dancing.

Q And does she film you sometimes doing singing and dancing?

A No she doesn't like to film me. She likes to film herself.

Q She likes to film her nannan I notice sometimes doesn't she, your mum?

A Oh yeah, yeah. But I'll dance sometimes and she'll go off and do her own thing. But I'm always dancing and stuff. We'll do it together, but then when it comes to filming I'll say 'Oh let's film us' she'll go 'no'. And I don't know why. But yeah. I don't mind being filmed, but I'm never on any of her films.

Q That's interesting.

A But my mum is, and my dad is, and my sister, she'll video all them, and our [niece]. But when it comes to me she's like 'No'.

Q Perhaps it's because you're just here all the time.

A That's what I think, yeah, probably. But her dad doesn't like being filmed. He doesn't even like hearing his own voice and stuff like that.

Q Yeah, but a lot of people are like that.

A But yeah, me, she doesn't film me. She sometimes copies me, when we've done yoga and....

Q Oh yes. I didn't know you did yoga, right, good on you.

A Yeah, they sit on....because they do it at school.

Q Is this something on the TV?

A Yeah, and we do that.

Q Is it a particular app there, or is this something the school have put you on to, or have you just found something yourselves?

A Just found it ourselves.

Q OK.

A So we just go on to YouTube and put 'yoga' in, 'kids yoga' that's easy.  
And different....like we love doing GoNoodle, I love it. But every time I asked to be filmed she doesn't want to. But if them two are doing it and I'm not doing it they'll film themselves. It's weird.

Q Yeah, there's a bit of a one-way street going on there isn't there? Perhaps it will change, yeah. Oh that's really interesting, thank you Marina. Let's move on to this, this is all fascinating. So we've got John and....

A That's playing in his car on the back. [F7p\_20190913\_p006]

Q Right. He seems very into cars and driving in many different ways. That's an observation.

A He loves cars, yeah. He loves all cars, lorries, vans. He loves police cars, he loves fire engines. But yeah that was the next door neighbour's and they left it and John asked for that, and the next minute he brought it round. He's not bothered what colour they are.

Q So that's in your garden at the back there isn't it?

A Yeah.

Q And when was that, was that just recently?

A That's just recently. But he's too big for it now.

Q But he's got those amazing cars at your parent's house, hasn't he?

A Yeah.

Q One's a fire engine I think and one a car, is that right?

A Yeah that's right.

Q So I don't know what they're called, those electric...

A Electric....he's got electric fire engine and then Anna's got an electric quad.

Q Right, oh that's Anna's is it?

A Yeah. But they do take it in turns.

Q And so tell me the story about those particular toys, how did they get them, was it something that they requested?

A Anna used to have one when she was little, her dad bought her one, a pink one.

Q A car?

A A little quad.

Q Oh a quad again.

A Yeah. But they got too big for it. And then John kept....whenever we go to Smyths, or even Halfords and stuff, they had them in there and they kept playing on them. So I had a look on Gumtree and they were for sale. And I think John's were about £30 and Anna's was about £20, and usually they're about £100.

Q I was going to say, that sounds quite a good bargain.

A So my dad went to go and fetch them, and they play on them all the time. So they only last for about an hour, so we're charging it up all the time, but they love them. But yeah John's into all his cars and everything.

Q So I filmed them a bit using that – it was John, that's right, and going round the kitchen in your mum's house, your mum and dad's house.

A Yeah.

Q Can you imagine what's going on in their heads when they're playing with those? Let's think about John particularly?

A John thinks he's a fireman.

Q So he's in the part is he as he drives that?

A Yeah, because he'll get dressed up as a fireman as well.

Q Oh, to be in the car and everything?

A Yeah. And it's got a hose. But then we have to watch him sometimes because he puts on the real hose and starts hosing everything down! Yeah. I want to bring them here but it's

not big enough, my shed and things like that. But sometimes it's not safe on this front. At my mum and dad's they can go everywhere.

Q Yeah, so they're outside with them. Because obviously I filmed him indoors, yeah.

A They're always at my mum and dad's anyway.

Q Does he like...so he's dressed up and he's doing the actions, does he say anything, or is he kind of in a kind of scenario in his head?

A He thinks he's Fireman Sam. Yeah. So he gets into his little 'I'm Fireman Sam' and he thinks everything is burning down and....yeah. And he likes building his fires as well. He'll get – is it called Jenga?

Q Yes.

A And he'll build a fire that way, and he'll say 'oh it's on fire, it's on fire', and he'll put his sound on and then he'll get the hose and he'll go 'ssss...'

Q On the Jenga that he's built, the sort of tower thing, the model?

A Yeah, yeah. Or he'll get clothes and he'll pile them all up and think he's Fireman Sam.

And Anna on her quad, she doesn't really dress up on that, she just likes going up and down. But yeah John, he thinks he's Fireman Sam when he's on that.

Q So does he like Fireman Sam on TV or anything like that?

A He loves Fireman Sam. He loves going to the museum.

Q Oh the Fire Museum in Sheffield, I know it well, yeah.

A Yeah. We've been on....whenever there's something happening in town, do you know like with the fire engines, the police cars, we have to go, then he gets dressed up for that. So we've been on a fire engine at the museum, it just goes up the road and round. We had to go on it three times! But yeah he absolutely loves it. But yeah he loves getting dressed up.

Q When he's watching it on telly is he more passive then, does he just sit and watch or would you say he jumps up...

A No he jumps up and down and he starts doing the actions whatever they're doing.

Q Because he does that a lot with the video games doesn't he, I noticed.

A Yeah. He moves his arms, he gets giddy, and I think he thinks that he's on that film. And he's going 'oh quick, quick, quick'. And then sometimes he'll go and get his hose and things and....

Q What, while he's watching it on telly?



A Yeah.

Q Oh right, so he's acting with them.

A He can't sit down for two minutes, he's always got to be up, and he's always active.

Q I mean he seems to be very caught up in it, you know, and I suppose if he's in the story and he's copying all the movements.

A Even when he's on his game, he stands up and he's jumping about, and he gets too giddy sometimes. But I think he thinks he's in it – do you know what I mean?

Q Yeah I do know what you mean.

A It's weird, but yeah I think he thinks....I don't know.

Q In his head he's in the game.

A Yeah, yeah, that's what I think, yeah. And he'll move around. It's like if they're turning around he'll move around with the controller and jump up and down. When they're jumping up and down – I don't know if you've noticed – he'll jump up and down as well.

Q Yeah definitely yes, absolutely. Actually I think we got some film of that last time.

A Yeah, he gets really, really giddy. But yeah, even when he's at school they can't...he's always jumping up and down and....so it's a bit....

Q Yeah, he's ??? isn't he, he perhaps finds sitting still perhaps a little tricky.

A Yeah.

Q So does he ever kind of sit still with any of his games would you say, are there any apps or video games he will sit still for, or is he always....

A Always up. Even when we go to the cinema he's up and down. We have to sit at the end, he's always up, he won't sit down during a film.

Q And what sort of emotions is he having? Do you think he's having the emotions that he thinks the characters are having? Or is he just excited, or...

A I think he's excited, but he also likes to do the moves what they're doing. So when we went to see Peter Pan he were up and he were like that at the end.

Q Sort of like sword, as if he was duelling?

A Yeah, and people were telling us to sit down. And I'm saying 'he won't sit down, he's too giddy'. But even other things like....what else did they go and see....Lion King, he were up and down for that as well. Yeah. I just don't think he can sit down, I think he gets too excited.

Q Does he respond to other things like that that aren't on TV or on digital? I mean the books, for example, would he respond like that if you were telling him a story?

A If I'm telling him a story he will actually sit there. And I have to have it that way, right, I have to show him the pictures and I have to go across, but he will actually sit there and lay down in bed and listen. But if Anna's there sometimes they do...because I prefer to do it....I do John first, and then I say to Anna 'you go on your iPad' and then we'll take it in turns. But yeah he will listen to me if it's just me and him.

Q So when you said 'I have to have it that way', what you were showing me there was...

A I'm having to show him the pictures.

Q You've got the book and you've got it....you're kind of looking down at it and you've got to show it to him.

A If I've got the book in front of my face and I'm looking at the pictures he'll just do a.... he'll just not listen.

Q So he needs to see, and is it the pictures he's interested in?

A He needs to see the pictures, yeah, and he needs to see the words and things. And I do my finger and I go across that way. But if I've got the book in my face and not showing him he'll not listen to me, he'll just go off and do his own thing. But sometimes when I've got them together they just mess about.

Q Yeah, so it's a bit easier to do it if it's one or the other?

A Yeah.

Q Oh thanks Marina, this is fascinating, thank you. So there's Anna squashed into the car now as well. [F7p\_20190913\_p005]

A Yeah.

Q Was he going to push her along there or anything? Do you know what's....

A I think he did, he does like pushing her.

Q Does he like to tell her what to do when it comes...because it sounds like it's his area of expertise, cars and things.

A Yeah.

Q Would you say he's sort of instructing her?

A Yeah definite. He tells her what to do in the car and things like that. But when it's like dressing up and stuff Anna's then the boss and she thinks she's in charge, because she likes to do drama and things like that so she tells him what to do. But when they're playing cars and Fireman Sam or things, he tells her what to do, and all the colours of the cars and....yeah.

Q Does she take it from him in that respect?

A Yeah, she will listen to him when it's....so...because he'll listen to her when they're getting dressed up, so yeah.

Q When you are driving actually in the car, how does he behave in an actual car, would you say?

A Oh he sits in the back and he thinks he's....he's with the driving wheel.

Q Is he driving with the wheel?

A Yeah. And he'll go 'beep beep' and things like that.

Q And he's just literally pretending in the air there?

A Yeah.

Q There should be a word for that 'air driving', like 'air guitar', 'air steering wheel'! And I don't know whether you are driving in a car which might have sat nav ever or anything like that, has he....

A Yeah they'll copy him. Because my dad's got a man on his one, but my mum's got a woman – I don't know how that is, but yeah.

Q It must be some way you set it up.

A He'll say 'turn left', 'turn right', and they'll copy him, both of them do. So yeah they like the sat nav. And they copy the radio as well when there's music on, so they like...

Q Yeah, like the DJ or something like that?

A Yeah. And Anna's just got into Beatbox but I don't know what that is, so I think it's like a rap. Yeah well it's something on YouTube again.

Q Oh OK. Yes you mentioned that I think last time was it?

A Yeah. It's totally different though now. Because when I were little we used to have tapes and books, and I've looked all over and I can't get nothing like that any more.

Q Hi there, how are you doing, are you alright?

D Do you want to come outside?

A We will do in a bit, yeah.

D Please, please.

A You like it outside don't you? I'm just speaking to Julia. I promise I will do.

Q Oh. Do you normally go out with them?

A Yeah because they like to play in the house.

Q Oh I see, in the back garden, you mean the little play house?

A Yeah, they love playing in that play house.

Q Well if you want to be out there just so you can keep an eye on him I don't mind being outside with you. OK I'll pause this.

[Recorder paused]

Q So you're watching him in the garden on your TV?

A Yep.

Q Oh my goodness. So that means there's a camera in the back?

A Yeah. My other camera there, it's not working for some reason.

Q Oh my goodness.

A And yeah he's playing in that house.

Q This is completely unexpected. Can you tell me a bit more about this please?

A This is the CCTV, this is my nosey channel.

Q So how did this happen?

A This is my Christmas present.

Q You wanted a CCTV?

A It's this year's.

Q Oh, so for the Christmas coming? You've got an early Christmas present?

A Yeah, an early, me and my sister yeah.

Q So what prompted this? So tell me more.

A I used to have a lot of trouble with the children's dad turning up and things like that.

Q Oh OK.

A And there's been a lot of burglaries. So yeah I just put this on and it will alert on my phone as well. So I can see him coming out now.

Q That's interesting, I can't....oh OK.

A I can have it on there. Or if they're playing on the side and I'm trying to tidy up I can watch them, close my gate. But if anybody comes as well, because like at night time I won't leave the house, and you can see people. So he's coming in now with his bike.

Q So how many cameras have you got altogether?

A I've got four but there's something wrong with this camera. But I can get it on my phone and it will work on my phone. So if I'm not here I just...  
So it's just loading up now. And he's coming in now.

Q Yes I can hear him. It's funny. So you've got one out the back, one on the side, and where are the other cameras situated?

A At the front.

Q At the front. Both of the other two at the front.

A And then I can go to playback as well, so if anything happens....

Q Are they on all the time?

A All the time, yeah.

Q So where does the information get stored?

A It's got...I think it's that chip. And it records for so....

Q In the telly?

A Yeah, after 31 days it will re-record. So if you need anything saving...it goes to my dad's computer, everything is to my dad.

Q Yeah, so it sort of backs up, yeah.

A Yeah.

Q Well that's fascinating.

A Yeah a lot of people have got burgled, so you'll see a lot of houses on here have got them. And as soon as anything happens the police are straight at my door saying 'oh have you got anybody walking past' or.... But do you know I feel so....you know when I'm in the house and it's just me and the kids, I feel like I'm OK.

Q You're safe.

A Yeah. Because it's right good.

Q And what happens in the dark? Can it see?

A It can see in the dark, yeah. It's like last night we had foxes, we'd got three foxes on the garden, and they've thrown bread out of the window. Because I've got alarms on my windows. So yeah. But if I'm tidying up and they want to play on the side, I'll let them because I can see them. And they know they're not allowed through that gate. But yeah. I've had people knocking on the door and things like that, and won't answer it, I'll just grab my cameras and think 'I don't know who they are, I'm not answering it'. But yeah everything's technology.

So me and my sister, even like when we've been at my mum and dad's, it's like if it's yellow now or....you know that there's something happening in that area – sorry, if it's green and things like that. But yeah you can get...I haven't got where you can have it, do you know where it....if that were green you can hear all the noises, but I don't have it on that.

Q OK, that's fascinating.

A But they've thrown all bread outside.

Q Oh yeah. So how did you choose this, how did you...you know was it something you spoke to somebody about, or....

A My cousin does them. So yeah he told us to get the cameras, so we got them from Amazon, told us what to get. And he's put them all up. But yeah I got into trouble though three times because a camera was a bit further out and I got into trouble because it's supposed to be on your property. So yeah we had to have them all moved over.

Q I see.

A Because I used to be able to see on the field. And the police used to love that, you know with the cars going on, but now I've had to move them down.

Q I see OK. So when you say you got into trouble, that's obviously not with the police.

A The police.

Q Oh the police themselves said.

A Yeah, and the council. Because you're filming other people and you're not supposed to.

Q I see. So how do the children feel about this would you say, are they interested in it?

A Oh they love it. They love it. Because they'll stand on the back and wave at me and....yeah.

Q Do they then like to come in and see it?

A Yeah, yeah, and we can rewind it and...yeah. They watch foxes as well, because we've got loads of foxes.

Q Yeah, I suppose with the ground out the front there you're bound to get a bit of wildlife.

A But him next door, he knows that our camera's on his shed because he got burgled and they nicked all the kids' bikes, so he asked me to move it up a little bit. And then my other camera is that way, it should be on my shed but it's not working at the moment so he's got to come back. But it's working on my phone, it's right weird.

Q Oh that's fascinating, thank you very much, that's an unexpected turn to the conversation but it's really interesting. So yeah another thing.

A Yeah, but really I should have told you that I've got video cameras shouldn't I?

Q No it's alright.

A Because you're visiting aren't you?

Q Do you mean because of the project, or just as a...because it would have filmed myself?

A It's because it would have filmed yourself wouldn't it coming to Meadowhall.

Q Well I'm quite happy with that, so it's not a problem. But I don't actually know what all the protocols are around that. I mean does that affect your view of things like...you must have quite a keen sense of surveillance and awareness of cameras and things around the place more generally, I wondered if it affected your view of that?

A Because there's been a lot of burglaries on here I feel safer with that. And if I'm upstairs and I hear a noise outside I can just look. I don't...I don't....I'd go straight to the police but I'd lock myself upstairs and things, and I can check my cameras. And it's so good, you can see the face so clear.

But yeah I've had to ask the neighbours next door, because really your camera should be right up here, it should only be to there, but then you can only see the wall.

Q Of course, yeah. So did you say your cousin....

A Yeah, he does all this.

Q So that's his like....he's got a company?

A He works for somebody.

Q I see, yeah, and he set this one up for you did he?

A Yeah he set them all up. He's just got to come and do the other one, so yeah.

Q Oh well shall we go back to these photos?

A Yeah that's fine. That's Anna with....my mum bought her these gems, you know what you can put on your nails or you can put on pictures, and she decided to put them all over her face. [F7p\_20190913\_p004]

Q I was going to say, so they're physically on her face. Because it looks like it's a filter like you get sometimes that you can get stuff overlaid on a picture, but she actually was.

A But she used them all.

Q So did she take that photo, or you took it?

A No she took that, a selfie again.

Q So she does quite creative things really doesn't she, she doesn't necessarily do what it says on the tin, she likes to do something a bit alternative with it.

A Yeah. She never reads instructions – so a bit like me! You think you can do it can't you and then like halfway through it you're like 'oh no I've done it all wrong, let's look at the instructions'.

Q I think a lot of us are like that, yeah that's right, it's dull to do it the other way. But you can make new discoveries that way too. Sounds like she did there.

A Yeah, she had them all over. [*To Anna*] I'm sure this day – can you remember, is that when Ella had chicken pox and you decided to copy?

C No.

A No?

C Yeah. Because I put spots on me.

Q Is that sort of what prompted it?

A Yeah. I thought I could remember. Yeah her friend had got chicken pox and she'd not been at school, and then my mum bought her all these...she just put them all over her face. And she put them all over her body and she was 'mummy, mummy, I'm not very well' and I went running upstairs. She said 'I've got chicken pox' and I went.... But then a week later she did.

Yeah. They all got it, everybody in the class. But John's never had them – so weird.

Q Yeah, some sort of natural immunity.

A This is at my mum and dad's park. And there's only ever them around. Because there isn't many children that live on my mum and dad's road, and not a lot of people know that that little park's there.

Q What does that sort of mean to you when you see them playing on that sort of, you know, adventure playground?



*Plays film [F7p\_20190913\_v002]*

A Yeah we do like....we do little games.

Q Yeah? And you're involved in that?

A Yeah.

Q And why do you do that – if that's not too obvious a question, what's sort of in your mind when you do it?

A Keeping them fit! And it's good for them as well. So we'll play games on here, like run to the grass, touch the grass, run back, see who can get up next fastest. And yeah, take it in turns. And there's only us ever there. Even when it's red hot there's only ever us over there.

And then my mum only lives round the corner. So sometimes they'll just go with their quads up there as well.

Q Oh yeah, and drive round, yes.

A Yeah. There is a bigger park down the road but it gets really, really busy.

Q And do you often film as you play as well, or is this just something you did that particular time you were filming?

A Not all the time, but I think that day we were just playing, and I like videoing so...

Q Do you know what made you sort of video that one particularly, or...

A I don't know.

Q No, you just did it.

A Yeah I just did it that day. But I've got another video with my mum and dad as well.

Q Oh yeah?

A Yeah we're always taking...

Q Same place?

A Yeah. And my dad's swinging her on the swings and stuff, yeah. It's just a nice park and there's nobody about so it's nice and quiet. Yeah, so I can video them on there, not like the other parks. You know like across there you can't video them over there because there's too many children.

Q No of course, you'd be catching them in the picture wouldn't you?

A Yeah.

Q And is that quite recently again, was it this summer?

A Yeah.

Q Yeah, in the school holidays?

A It could have even been at a weekend because we stop at my mum and dad's every weekend, so yeah. I'm hoping to get some videos tomorrow because we're off to Little Mix.

Q Oh wow.

A Me and Anna.

Q I forgot. Oh Anna's going?

A Yeah, we're on the second row.

Q Is that in Manchester did you say?

A Sheffield.

Q Oh it's at Sheffield Arena?

A Yeah.

Q Oh gosh, they're there. Oh my goodness. Oh there'll be lots to tell next time we come and visit.

A Yeah.

Q OK so...

A This is it. This is when she likes to make masks. [F7p\_20190913\_p003]

Q Yes absolutely.

A And they love doing that with my dad. Because he'll go on the computer, I don't know what site he uses, but I think he might just put 'mask' in, and loads of different masks comes up.

Q So what's this particular one, is it like an African one or something? Or is it just designs that you can get off the internet?

A I don't even know what that one is.

Q Is this at your parent's house by the way?

A No this is at my house. That could be even....that....that could have been out of a parcel, that, looking at it, because it's two separate.

Q A parcel?

A Yeah, do you know like sometimes you get like some shoes or something and they have that padding in, I don't know.

Q Oh yes. Oh I see, so...

A It looks like it doesn't it?

Q Yes it does a bit, yeah. And are these things that Anna will then just do and create herself?

A Yeah. Because they love making binoculars out of toilet rolls. John loves making towers. And just colouring them in. It's like I've got some stuff that we're going to do for Christmas, and I used to do it when I was little with toilet rolls, but loads of cotton wool on and make a Santa.

Q Oh that's lovely, yes I think I did that too.

A And snowmans and...yeah, paint them. The glitter stuff all goes to my mum's.

Q OK. So they're playing out the back. [F7p\_20190913\_v003]

A Yeah they love playing on this.

Q So they've a bike and scooter.

A I used to let them play on the front but it's too scary now. Because even during the day cars will come on that grass.

Q Do they ever have friends come over and play with them, or is it mainly they play with each other?

A Yeah they have some of their friends come round, but they prefer to just play at parks. They have got friends but...yeah, they don't live on this road. They've got a little boy that lives down the road but they like to play at his house. That's ??? [F7p\_20190913\_p002]

Q Yeah it is, is he poking his tongue through there?

A Tongue!

Q Yeah. There's a lot of humour in these pictures I think as well.

A Yeah.

Q And are these from sort of your collection especially, because you didn't take these especially for us, you just shared them kindly with us, is that right?

A Yeah.

Q Some of your family are on it.

A I'm always taking pictures and things. Because I think it's good to look back. And this is when they did Alexa. [F7p\_20190913\_v004 to F7p\_20190913\_v006]

Q So is this the time that you told us about, when you heard them talking to Alexa and then you came in and filmed them, or is this another occasion, I wasn't quite sure?

A I'd been making tea once and they've asked Alexa where do babies come from, and I've had to run in and say 'no Alexa, shhh'. But yeah they're always asking her things, and I think this is the one with the trumps isn't it? Is this that one?

Q I think it might be, yes.

Alexa Here is a sample of the fart song.

Q The fart song.

*Plays film [F7p\_20190913\_v004]*

A But they didn't realise I was behind them when I was videoing this.

Q Oh really?

A Because I was making tea and I could just hear them laughing. I was thinking 'what are they laughing at'. And I heard them and I was like 'oh'. I was shocked but it made me laugh. So I was straight there, and I was stood there, and I couldn't really hear them that much because they'd turned it down. So I got closer and closer, and then I went 'I've heard you'. And then we videoed it and they kept asking her.

Q Oh that's funny. So you're all having a bit of a laugh together there.

A Yeah.

Q And again is that quite recently?

A Yeah, that weren't long ago. But yeah they did it at my mum and dad's house as well.

Q Oh yeah. So once they do it once do they kind of...

A They do it at everybody's house then.

Q They do it all the time, yeah.

A Yeah. They'll go to their friend's house down the road, and she wasn't impressed. So she come up here, she went 'your children have just been asking Alexa to do these things and I'm not impressed'. I was like 'I'm sorry'. But I thought it was funny, but some people might not think it's funny. Yeah. They went to my mum's house and they did it. They did it at their aunt's house and... Yeah, because we've all got them.

[Anna and Beth are now in the room]

C Up North actually. Don't show you that trick, let's do it one more time. So I will colour in the whale.

Q2 Wow.

Q Oh my goodness, what's this?

A Where have you got that from?

C Colour in the whale, and then it will come back to life like this.

A Where have you got that whale?

C What?

A That whale? Is it on an app or...

C App. This app, there.

A Oh that one.

Q What's it called?

C Play kitch?. That's what it's called.

Q ???

C Then at the bottom I'll put red. I know it could be red ???

A I like these sort of apps, because they are learning and....

C I've got red on there.

Q Do you mean colouring in sort of apps?

A Colouring in. And I think it helps them with their colours.

Q Yes.

C Ah look.

Q Has Anna done a lot of these, I know you've shown us these before.

A Yeah. She likes doing her pictures.

C Are you ready? Pretend you've not saw this whale yet, alright? Just pretend you've not sawn it because I want to do a magic trick, that's a magic trick.

- A Do you mean 'seen' it?
- C Yeah. So are you ready?
- Q Mmm.
- C So you see this whale here, so it will disappear in a minute.
- Q Will it?
- C Yeah. So....ready. We rub it all out – but I don't want you to see the special bit, right.  
???
- A This is what she gets ??? she doesn't like me ???
- C Switch it off. Then, just close your eyes.
- A I'll close my eyes.
- Q Close my eyes but I'm still filming.
- C Where's it gone? Oh you're still open.
- Q I've still got my eyes shut.
- C You ready?
- Q Yeah.
- C OK. 'Brrrrrr'
- A He's come alive.
- Q Oh my goodness, the picture's come alive. That is such a good trick.
- C Do you know how I did that magic trick?
- Q No, tell me more.
- C Because I rubbed it out and I've already got this whale ??? it.
- Q Oh I see. So is it just a coincidence that you found this on the app and it looks so much like your one?
- C Yeah.
- Q Oh it's great. Oh that's a good magic trick. Have you shown this to Beth as well?
- C Yeah.

Q Oh you've got the full effect there. Thank you so, so much, I love that. And we've had a fantastic talk here as well. I'm just looking through some of the photos.

C Somebody's going to be my teacher now?

A Haven't actually got through that many have we?

Q Let's just have a little look more at....

C Mum, I'm going to do my learning. Mummy, I'm seeing my teacher now. I'm going to get my certificate. I can print it off if I want.

A At nannan's, yeah.

C Yeah, again.

Q Yes, so sorry, we were talking about the Alexa and the way that....yeah. But tell me a bit more about... [F7p\_20190913\_p007]

A This is when my mum bought her some eye shadows and some make-up, and she asked me to do a make-over. So she wanted to do me first, and then she said I could do hers, and then she wouldn't let me do hers. And then somebody come to the house, I can't remember who, and I had to go to the door.

Q So this makeover thing, again would you say there's any....

A Yeah, and that's ??? stuff on.

Q Oh yes, oh on your forehead then, oh I didn't see that the first time.

A And then she said 'this is how I wear my make-up whenever I go out'. But yeah she loves having her nails done, and her toes. And if I'm putting make-up on she has to put her own make-up on.

Q OK. So again, has she got things to paint her toenails with and stuff like that?

A Yeah.

Q And does she do any of that on YouTube, does she watch sort of makeovers or....

A No, she watches my niece.

Q Oh right, in real life, yeah.

A Yeah. She puts it on every day and she just copies her. But she's getting a lot better now, she does keep it on her eyes. But yeah sometimes she just comes down and it's bright orange. But that's what....she wants some more make-up and things so...

Q Yes, so you think this might be....

A She's growing up too fast.

Q Yes. There's a fine line isn't there between sort of face paints and make-up I think, or it's a bit blurred maybe between those things.

A Yeah she's got a tattoo. We went the other day. She loves stuff like that.

Q Oh yes. What's it of?

A What is it Anna?

C A mermaid.

Q And here we've got some more dressing up in this one.

A Yeah. Whenever we have family parties, this is at my cousin's wedding, even at Christmas we have like pops and things and we all take photos. But this is at my cousin's wedding, yeah. So we all got dressed up.

Q So did they provide this?

A They provided all that.

C Did you see me in that pink dress? Nannan took a picture of it didn't she?

A Yeah, you were a bridesmaid weren't you?

C Yeah. Where is it?

A You've got it there.

C Oh but I want one where I'm with all my family.

A With all your family?

C Yeah.

Q Is there like a more official photo at the wedding?

C And it's right cute isn't it?

A That's a year ago.

C With [names of 3 people], me.

A Yeah, let's have a look. A lot of us pictures are on Facebook. So this is how we connect with all us family.

Q Yeah I think you've mentioned before, it's quite important in your family isn't it to share this way.



A That's just half of our family. We couldn't all get on. So yeah.

C Where's all the kids. I mean me and everybody, where is it?

A Lots of pictures.

C Oh no there isn't.....

A This is John gardening with my dad. He loves gardening, and he does it at school as well. [F7p\_20190913\_p009]

Q Yes I came didn't I to the Gardening Club, yeah.

A Yeah. He does it for a bit and then he gets bored.

Q At school do you mean?

A Yeah. But with my dad he just loves it.

C Oh you just went past I think.

A ???

C Mum looks pretty. That's daddy. Oh you're kissing.

A That's just some of us family again.

Q Heavens, what a big group of you.

C That's a wedding cake.

Q Do you like looking through mum's photos like this?

C Where's the wedding cake? Wedding. Wedding cake.

Q Ooh there is it. Beautiful, yeah. That's a gorgeous cake.

C Mickey Mouse were there.

Q Mickey Mouse? What do you mean? How was Mickey Mouse there, I don't understand.

A Let's have a look.

C Mickey Mouse, Mickey Mouse.

Q Was it someone that dressed up then or....

A Yeah.

Q Oh wow.

A ??? cake, rainbow.  
That's my mum with her sisters and her brothers.

C Yeah.

A ??? corner with a glass.

C I was sucking my finger. Look there.

Q Oh there! Oh my gosh. So what did Mickey Mouse do, is that with you, are you in that picture?

A They were frightened of him.

Q Oh that's interesting.

C I was just sitting in the corner eating sweets.

A That's our John.

C Guess what, I was sitting in the corner eating sweeties....

Q Oh that's really great. I'm seeing pictures of Mickey Mouse there – and Minnie. But you were frightened of him?

A Yeah.

Q What did they do exactly?

C Anyway he wasn't even....they were just strangers.

A They just come for 15 minutes.

C They're strangers.

A They was strangers, wasn't they.

Q It's a bit funny isn't it when you don't know them.

A I don't know who they were.

Q Did they talk to you Anna?

A They just waved.

Q Oh alright, yeah.

A But yeah they just come for 15 minutes to see the children, had a little bit of a dance with them, and that were it.

C I didn't even want to dance.

A All the kids were scared of them.

Q Yeah, interesting yeah. When you don't know who it is it's a bit funny isn't it?

A Yeah. And these are all the kids on their iPads at my wedding.

Q Oh gosh, at your wedding.

C Are they allowed?

A Yeah, everybody were on their phones weren't they and their iPads, just to keep them entertained.

C Are they allowed? Were they allowed?

A Yeah because it kept them entertained didn't it. And then popcorn and ??? for the night.

C Can you get that video, OK, of me.

Q You've just got so many photos.

A Yeah.

C I mean with all the kids. Yeah that one.

A I can't really find.....oh there's one. There's that many.

Q Oh what's this one with the glasses? Oh gosh.

*Plays video*

Q Is it Little Mix, the song?

A It's her own song.

Q It's her own one, oh that's really lovely.

A And this is another one.

Q Oh gosh, it's the filters isn't it.

A And that's on this one. MSQRD. And you can have a witches and everything.

Q So is this something that you...because that's your mum isn't it? Has she downloaded this?

A Yeah.

Q Does she download them for the kids so that she can have fun like this with them on these photos?

A Yeah, this is what they do, yeah.

Q So this one she's under the sea with all the bubbles and her scuba gear on. Oh I'd love to see those, yeah. Is that like a recent development or has she been doing this a while, your mum?

A Just recent, probably the past 6 months or so.

Q OK. Do you like them Anna when your nannan does those?

C Oh look, look at that video.

Q What's this one.

A Oh we do this every year. Elf.

Q Oh right OK. Elf Yourself it's saying.

A Yeah. That's Auntie T\_\_\_\_, mummy....

Q Oh my gosh.

C Nannan. Where's me?

A [Niece's name].

C And me dancing.

Q I recognise nannan there.

Q2 Have you ever copied the dances that you're doing as elves?

A Oh I couldn't do that.

Q So you do this every year at Christmas?

A Yeah.

C Look, I'm dancing.

Q You are.

- A And we phone Father Christmas don't we as well?
- Q Phone Father Christmas? Tell me more. I'm fascinated.
- A That's on an app.
- Q Yes?
- A And it says 'Call Santa'. So in December we'll put the app on...
- Q It's amazing. You have got so much. So sorry you were saying about 'Call Santa', do you put the app on your phone in December.
- A So you get the app. So you go on to the app and then....
- Q On the App Store.
- A And then I think it said 'Call Santa'.
- Q How do you find out about these things Marina?
- A Through all the parents at school. There's the Call Santa app.
- Q That's amazing. Call Santa, OK. So you download it. Oh it's the Portable North Pole thing.
- A That's a video, that one.
- Q That's a video isn't it, yeah I've done that one.
- A And then we've got this one.
- Q Message From Santa.
- A And then you can call them up.
- Q And what happens then when they...
- A And then they'll say....
- C Can you show us? Can you show us what to do?
- A I don't know if it will work yet because it's a bit early isn't it?
- Q It's too soon. Do you get to keep them from previous years, is it something like the Portable North Poles ones where you pay for that or something?
- A You can do, but I usually just log out of them.
- C Mummy, like see if it works and try to ring Santa at this time.

Q It's too soon.

A And then you can put like ???

Q Yeah, yeah that's like the Portable North Pole ones, yeah.

A And the North Pole ones, you get them at birthdays as well.

Q Oh that's a new thing, so have you done the birthday ones too?

A Yeah, yeah, they get them, you get an email. I think it's going to be too early. Yeah it's too early at the moment. We're always like taking videos and things like that and photos. But if I lost my Facebook, if anything happened to my Facebook or anything, I'd lose all my pictures. So I have got some of them on my mum and dad's computer but..

Q So does that worry you about sort of them not being stored somewhere where you've got them safe?

A Yeah. Because I can't put them on my iPad, there isn't a way to put them on my iPad, so it has to go to a computer. But yeah I have backed some of them up, but if anything happened I'd lose everything, all the baby photos, everything.

Q Right.

A But I think, my dad said there is a way of getting them on to a DVD, because we've done that for my wedding so I've got a wedding DVD. But yeah.

Q No it is a worry, and of course you're just creating more and more and more all the time aren't you?

A Yeah. But she just goes on this and she knows what to do.

Q Let me just....oh there are so many more, we're not going to get through them. OK so let's see what we've done.

A And I'm showing you them all.

Q I know, but it's all very interesting... Oh what's this?

C I'm number 4.

A GoNoodle.

Q This is GoNoodle. Oh I want to see this actually because you mentioned about it before.

*Plays game*

C I'm actually number 4 you know.

Q Does your mum do it with you?

A Yeah.

Q Ah, so Marina can do it too.

C Guess what, I'm stamping in it. Choose the beat 2.

A Yeah we usually close all the windows! So this is a football, and John loves this one.

C Oh this is hard. I used to do that. Mummy, remember when you did this?

A Yeah, don't do that. I did it wrong.

C Everybody!

A No, don't do that. I did it wrong.

C Everybody laughed at you.

A I know.

C It's like that....

A Yeah, it's that one.

C But you did that.

A Sh....don't do that.

Q I think we've ??? stirred, thank you. Sparing your mum's blushes.

A Yeah because I didn't realise what I'd done, and then my mum told me after, she said 'do you realise what you've just done', I'm like 'no'. And she told me and I was like 'oh'.

Q I was going to say, yeah presumably ???

A But yeah every time, she tells everybody that as soon as it comes on! But yeah there's loads of GoNoodles.

C Try to look for the dog one.

Q Are they all like that without any kind of face? Because they don't have any faces there, the people, or can you put your own in or something?

A No, there is real people that do them as well.

Q Yeah. So some are animated and some are people.

A Yeah.

Q OK. Yeah I need to look at this a bit more actually.

A But they use this in all the different schools, all the schools use it.

Q Yeah we've heard about it from a few others as well. So it seems very big at Abbeycliff School.

A Yeah. We do this every Friday.

Q What the GoNoodle, or this particular one?

A Every Friday.

Q Oh OK.

C I did this one this morning. Mummy I've seen this one this morning in the bathroom.

Q So do you mean at school?

A Yeah every Friday I do GoNoodle with the kids.

Q OK. Do you lead it or do you just go in and take part?

A No I just go in and take part.

Q And is it just recently that this has started up in the school, or have they....

A No they've been doing it for about 4 years now I think. But you update it all the time.

Q Oh do they?

*Plays game*

A 'Stomp it, stomp it, stomp it'

C All that dye, you've got a tattoo ??? look, tattoo. I've got a tattoo.

Q I was going to say, you've got one too.

C This morning I just went in the bath and it nearly went off.

Q So is this good for John would you say because of his wanting to move around a lot?

A Yeah, oh he loves it, so yeah. There is younger ones, these seem to be the older ones, but yeah he loves it. He just jumps about, he gets right giddy and right into it. But yeah they do this nearly every day at school. So they'll do it in a morning and then afternoon, and then on a Friday they have Golden Time and they can choose GoNoodle, iPads, Gardening, but I always do GoNoodle. I help out.



Q What time of day do you they do it in the morning and the afternoon?

A They sometimes do it in the class, but on a Friday they do it at 2.15 to 2.45, so like half an hour.

Q Do all the children enjoy it would you say, or some prefer it and others less so?

A Some don't like doing GoNoodle they like to do like gardening or beads or stuff.

C Hama beads.

A Hama beads, yeah.

C Football.

A Yeah they do football as well with Sheffield United don't they?

C Yeah. And what else? Bike riding.

A Bike riding.

Q So many things on offer there.

A There's a right lot of things they can do. But I just like the music really, that's why I do it.

C Guess what, in cinema club we're right lucky, we get a..

A Oh cinema club, yeah.

C And we get popcorn, lollipop, ice pop.

A You do, don't you.

Q Oh, tell me about cinema club, I don't know about this, this sounds great.

C I want to go every time.

A You like going to the cinema club don't you?

C Yeah.

A They get to watch a film and you have popcorn.

Q Oh I see, that's amazing.

C And lollipops. Ice pop though.

Q Oh wow. So that's organised by the school as part of Golden Time?

A Golden Time, yeah.

Q OK, so what do they do?

A So there's all different activities. So there's iPad, well iPad, GoNoodle, cinema....

C Face painting.

A Face paint. There's so many. And the whole school do it.

Q OK.

C Guess what mum, we got....

A Careful of your iPad. They have about 6 children from each class and they get to....like 6 from one class will go to GoNoodle and then 6 from another class. And then we all come together. So like in GoNoodle you'll have from Year 1 all the way round to Year 6 and they're all together, but there's only about 6 from each class that go.

Q So it's like in a classroom, and so it's all across the....

A It's in the hall.

Q Oh it's in the hall.

C Mum, I made you my dog ??? now like. But I've done the same.

A That's naughty that.

C What?

A You're not allowed to do that. Yeah you've just started doing that part, yeah.

Q So the cinema club, what sort of films would they watch?

A They watch Ratatouille.

Q Oh yes.

A Pinocchio.

Q So they just basically project it in the school hall for them all to watch or something?

A They watch it in a classroom that was. And that's on Netflix, the school's got Netflix.

Q Oh OK, and again is it a mixed age group in that?

A Yeah.

C Mummy, this is for you, how to practise how to do the dance properly. Ready? Watch it. And then you have to try to do it.

A And they do the Fortnite dance.

*Plays film*

A Yeah they do lots of different things at school. Like when I speak to my cousins and things, they say 'we don't have anything like that'.

Q No, that's right.

C Mum, this is for you, practise your dance.

A OK.

Q That's it, you've got it now. What a difference a little bit makes, eh, between them to get ??? under your chin.

C I like to doing it ???

Q So do you like to coach your mummy dancing, or does she coach you?

A She always tells me I'm doing it wrong. They both do, and they'll laugh at me.

Q Marina that's been amazing. I'm a bit conscious of the time so I think we're going to sort of let you go. But that has been a really interesting chat.