Helping your child to shine

The internet is a vital research tool for students of all ages but finding the right sites can be difficult.

**Connect to quality online learning**
Parents are concerned that their children are surfing sites that are safe and appropriate for their age. Students searching for research material for an important assignment find it hard to tell if the information is accurate and comes from a reputable source. **Connect**, a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website, takes the guess-work out of internet searches for both parents and children. **Connect** has dedicated sections for early childhood, primary students and secondary students. Users can search for websites and online resources, such as images, video and audio, that are both fun and suitable for use at home and school. All resources are tagged according to age.

**Connect to quality and safety**
Websites are recommended by both teachers and students and checked by educators to make sure they are suitable before being listed on the **Connect** site. However, **Connect** is not a closed site and parents are encouraged to view the site before introducing it to younger children and supervise its use. New sites are added to **Connect** every day.

For more information:
Find out more about **Connect** at the website below.

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