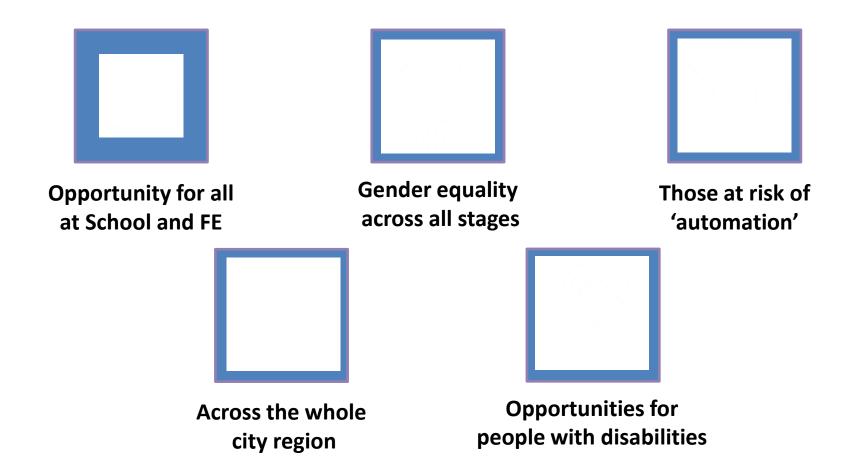
Data Education for All

Bringing the benefits of the City Region Deal to local learners

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DDI Skills Gateway: Our Approach to Inclusive Growth



The proposal

All children in the City Region will have the opportunity to excel in data education, regardless of their gender, location or financial circumstances.

121k
Learners across the region over 8 years







Data Scientist: The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century

by Thomas H. Davenport and D.J. Patil FROM THE OCTOBER 2012 ISSUE Data Scientist, the sexiest job of the 21th century, requires a mixture of multidisciplinary skills ranging from an intersection of mathematics, statetists, completer science, communication and business. Finding add as cicentist is hard. Finding people who understand who a data scientist is, is equally hard. So here is a little cheat sheet on who the modern data scientist really is.

MATH

& STATISTICS

↑ Machine learning

↑ Statistical modeling

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↑ Supervised learning decision trees, random forests, logistic regression

↑ Unsupervised learning clustering, dimensionality reduction

↑ Optimization gradient descent and variants

↑ Parallel databases and parallel query processing

↑ MagReduce concepts

↑ Hadron and Hew Prig

↑ Curious about the business

↑ Curious about the business

↑ Influence without authority

↑ Hacker mindset

↑ Problem solver

↑ Stotegic, proactive, creative, innovative and collaborative

MODERN DATA SCIENTIST

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A data literate person:

"understands, explains, and documents the utility and limitations of data by becoming a critical consumer of data, controlling his/her personal data trail, finding meaning in data, and taking action based on data. The data-literate individual can identify, collect, evaluate, analyze, interpret, present, and protect data." (ODI 2015).



Why UoE?

- Because we are driving data driven innovation across the region, which has the potential to disrupt jobs in the future
- We have a chance to make this a positive disruption – data education can help local people be part of the innovation



Education, more than outreach

- The University already does great work in schools outreach
- With some effort, we can:
 - Make it sustainable (not just one off sessions)
 - Build on learning, year by year
 - Help teachers and learners with curriculum outcomes
 - Make it equitable (for "ordinary" schools)



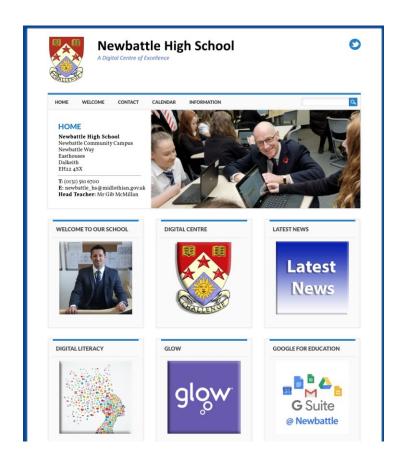


An example

DATA

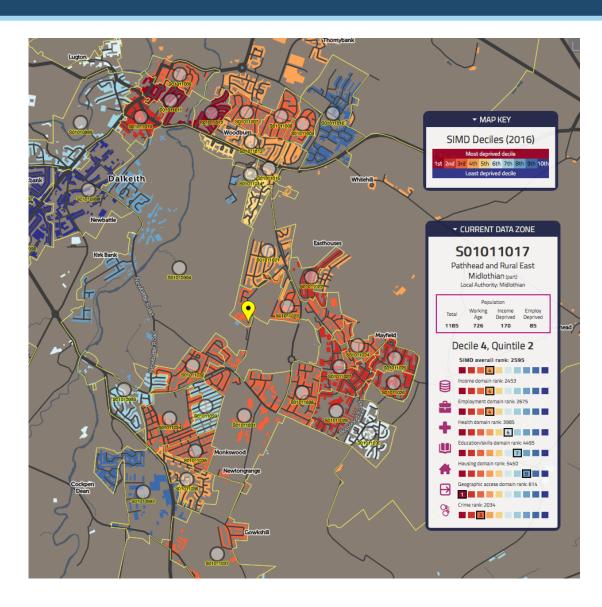


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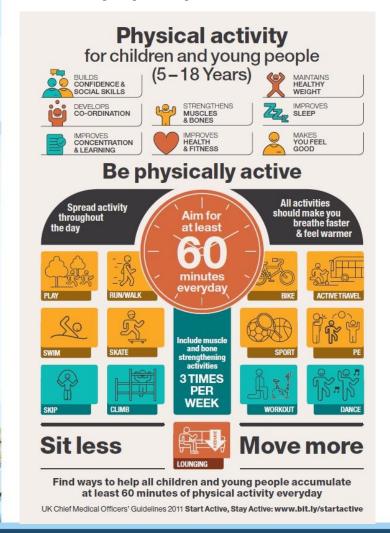








Why physical activity matters





What is the best visual representation for this data?

What advice should we give children about how to make positive changes based on data?



What about parents?
Or teachers?

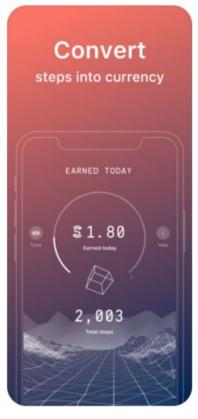
What kinds of personal health data are children interested in?

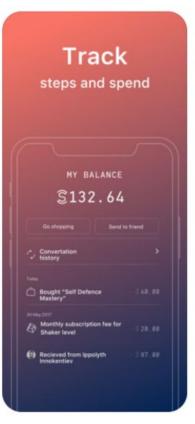
Who do children want to share the data with?

Where is this data stored, and who gets access to it?

Sweatcoin

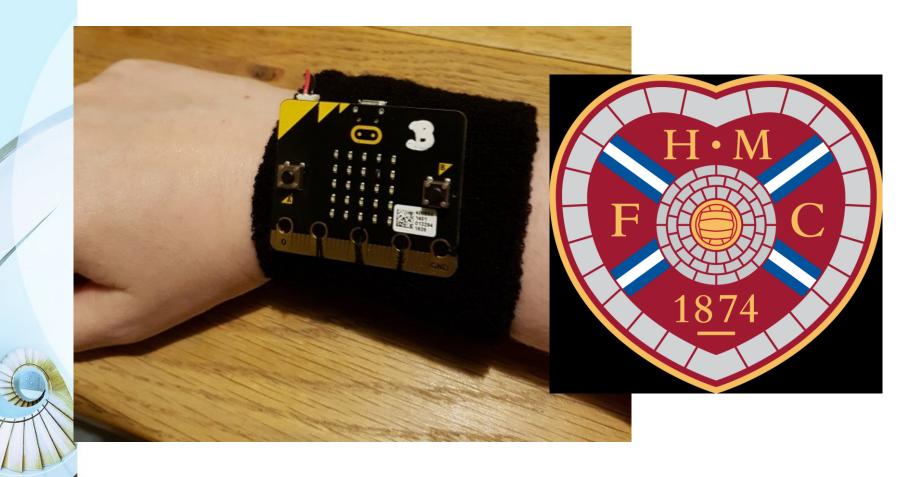








Microbit step counter

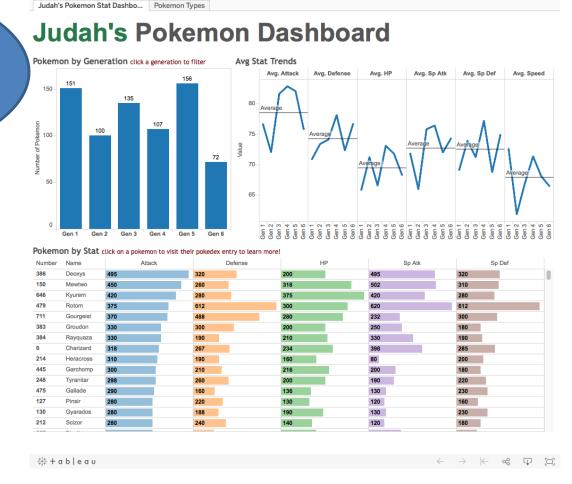


Dreams for the future



Personally meaningful

I like Mewtwo now, because he's really strong, fast, and really defensive.

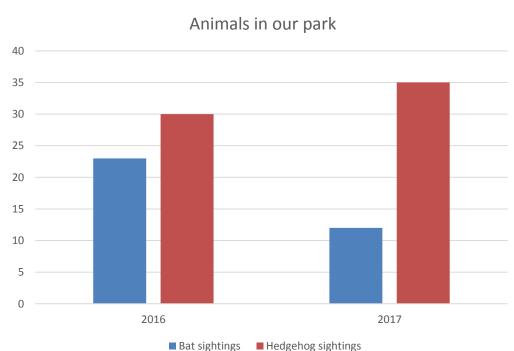


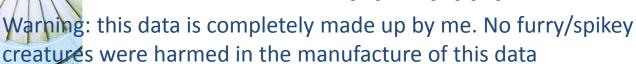


https://www.tableau.com/about/blog/2016/8/how-data-kid-found-his-favorite-pokemon-data-57650

Local data

Look at that, there are fewer bats nesting in the park than there were last year. I wonder why.







https://scot.okfn.org/2014/02/19/live-in-fragments-no-longer/



The University of Edinburgh





Science was great today. I saw a totally new galaxay!



https://www.universetoday.com/13585/galaxy-zoo-gets-a-makeover/

How can we scale this to 528 schools?

- a well-designed and coherent curriculum from nursery upwards
- inspiring and exciting teaching materials
- teachers who are confident and competent in data education;
- productive collaborations between the University staff and students, City Region schools and local employers and charities;
- robust evaluation
- internationally leading research and knowledge-sharing to deepen our understanding of how data impacts society



Questions?



If you know of an interesting data set which kids should learn about, email Kate Farrell digitalkatie@gmail.com, subject line: IT Futures





