Can you help?

Researchers in the School of Psychology at UWA are conducting a study that aims to advance our understanding of children’s face perception skills. As adults we have little difficulty reading all sorts of information from thousands of faces e.g., identity, age, gender and emotional expression, but children and individuals with developmental disorders, such as autism, are often less skilled. We have much to learn about why this is so.

The researchers are looking for children aged between 7 and 16 years to take part in this project. Children will complete a series of activities over two activity sessions, which each last about 90 minutes and are designed to be fun and developmentally appropriate. The activity sessions can be conducted here at UWA or at your home. During the sessions children will complete a series of activities, including computer-based games that require them to memorize and recognize faces and bodies, detect different emotion expressions, and rate faces on characteristics such as “trustworthiness”.

If you would like more information and/or are interested in participating in this research project please contact Samantha Bank on 6488 3573 or samantha.bank@uwa.edu.au