

### Fall / Winter 2012 Newsletter

## Advanced Keyboarding: Announcing 25 New eLessons!

Just as writing with a pencil was in the 20th century, this series of 5 modules (25 eLessons) will help students become proficient at keyboarding, an essential skill in the 21st century! While practicing your keying, you will learn lots of fun facts as you search for dinosaurs, explore the Seven Wonders of the ancient world, and travel to the future. Plus, you will uncover the history behind the telephone, electricity, skyscrapers, computers, space exploration, robots, and much more. So travel through time with Monte while building your keyboarding speed and accuracy and become a keyboarding master of letters, numbers, and symbols!



## 250+ Mathworld Courses Now Available!

This has been a VERY productive year for our K-6 International Baccalaureate Mathworld curriculum. The complete set of 336 eLessons has been storyboarded and programming is expected to be



# Please Consider Donating!

How can you help? Frankly, we need considerable funding in order to reach our objectives. We are a US 501 (c)(3) foundation (and a Dutch non profit foundation/Stichting) and all donations are tax deductible in the US (or in the Netherlands). Please consider making a donation so we can fund more courses and reach more children!





e-Learning for Kids Blog



## Needed: Pictures & Videos!!!

Do you have pictures and video clips of kids using the EFK software? We would love to include them in an album we are making showing the many faces around the world who use our lessons!

Please include the name of the school / location / # of kids and anything else you want to tell us regarding how the lessons are used by kids and teachers and send to us at

info@e-learningforkids.org

## Please Visit & "Like" Our New Facebook Page!

We will post weekly news, reviews of lessons, and share stories and pictures/videos. We welcome everyone, especially Kids, Teachers, Parents, & our Volunteers! Visit now!

completed by mid 2013 (assuming funding is available). A new website for Mathworld is also in planning! Math lessons.





#### News

EFK recently participated at the Learning 2012 conference in Orlando, Florida where our founder & chairman, Nick van Dam was honored with a Lifetime Learning Leadership Award from the producers of the event, The MASIE Center. Congratulations Nick!

Some of our recent large partnerships for reaching more children with offline education via the CD-ROM versions of our courseware include: IDEX/India (6 schools & 3500 kids), Metro South Education District / Capetown, S Africa (210 schools & 21,000 kids), Admedia Digital Network / Nairobi (10,000 schools & 100,000 kids) and Sico Electronics/Egypt (100 schools & 50,000 kids). WOW!

Volunteer Instructional Designers – We Need You! Are you a skilled Instructional Designer? Can you develop storyboards at an average time commitment 40 hours over a 2-3 month period? If so, please consider joining our volunteer team and making a difference – one course at a time. To learn more, please view our volunteer form! Click here.

A BIG thanks to our talented team of volunteer instructional designers and course developers,



#### **Testimonials**

"I teach technology in an elementary school in West Virginia, and I have found the activities on this site help improve not only academic skills, but also help them understand how to use other technology options."

Marla, USA

"Your courses are wonderful. My daughter and I find them fun and really easy to follow we are able to retain the information in a simple way. There is so much available. We are currently home schooling and find this is one of the best resources available on the Internet."

Dawn, UK

"Just letting you know i LOVE your little animations and activities for science, i use them in my class for biology topics and the students love them too!"

Nicole, Australia

"I am really impressed with this website. It is very interesting and made easy for kids. It has innovative ideas and is good for learning."

Sujatha, India

"Hats off to the organization! As an educator, I find this website very interesting!" Anna, Mauritius and of course to our sponsors and donors, who have made this a great year for EFK!

#### Offline Course Users

A NEW, better and updated version of the download links for making CD-ROMS for offline access to our courseware (e.g. easier/faster to install and with a smaller file size) will be available in January 2013!

A big thanks to all our offline users who re-verified their current usage as part of our recent annual reach out - we will be sure to send you these updated links automatically.

#### Learn and donate!

Buy a copy of *Next Learning, Unwrapped* by Nick van Dam Ph.D. In this business book, EFK's Founder and Chairman presents new technology-driven learning concepts in the context of nearly 40 business cases from leading global organizations that use technology-based learning to achieve business goals. All proceeds from the sale of the book will be donated to EFK. Every book purchase allows us to fund more courses and reach more children! <u>Purchase/Donate Here!</u>

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