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Playful research on children's ecological imagination with augmented storytelling

In this talk, I will be sharing my ongoing research on children's ecological imagination in and through *augmented storytelling*. Augmented storytelling couples culturally-based nature stories embedded in augmented storytelling technology with children's own mobile and multimodal storytelling activities outdoors in nature. During augmented storytelling that entails children walking, reading and storytelling with places, digital and physical realities of the past, present and future can intertwine, potentially supporting children's ecological imagination and learning with places. I will be highlighting our emerging research findings in the context of our work in a Finnish elementary school and its neighbourhood. I will end my talk by considering the possibilities and tensions of augmented storytelling as a playful means to research and enrich children's ecological imagination by becoming entangled

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