

## **Computers 'Could Disable Children'**

According to a BBC News article children running the risk of serious injury learning to use computers and may be put at risk of permanent injury, some health experts are warning. They say thousands of children have already been damaged by medical problems associated with the operation of computers.

"I think we are on a threshold of what could be a global disaster," states Dr. Leon Straker , "these problems - neck, back and repetitive strain injuries (RSI) - have long been recognized as being linked to prolonged computer use and incorrect posture in adults."

As yet, no significant research into the risks of RSI among children, who spend hours on computers doing homework or playing games, has been carried out in the UK. But doctors are reporting an increasing number of children complaining of computer-related injuries.