

HOME/DISTANCE LEARNING – SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH ASN

This page brings together links and resources which may be useful for families who are supporting children with ASN, in particular through this period of home learning due to the Coronavirus outbreak.



Useful Websites

- [Afasic](#)- National charity for Developmental Language Disorders offering advice , information and support.
- [Autism Toolbox](#) - new [Covid 19 information page](#)
- [British Academy of Childhood Disability](#) - Resources
- [CALL Scotland](#) - symbol resources explaining Covid 19
- [CHAS](#) - Support for those with life- shortening conditions
- [ENABLE](#) supporting disabled individuals
- [ENQUIRE](#): General advice - ASL
- [Mencap](#) - how to involve children in decision making
- [PAMIS](#) -Support and services for those with profound and multiple learning difficulties
- [The Sensory Projects](#) - COVID 19 educational resources for home-schooling
- [Wellchild](#) - National Charity for sick children

If you are looking for specific advice or help around anxiety, worry or mental health, the following list of websites may be helpful:

- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) information for children, families and professionals](#)
- [Young minds](#)
- [Mind for better mental health](#)
- [Childline - Your Feelings](#)
- [NSPCC - Keeping Children Safe](#)

We would like to continue to build upon this list of people and agencies who you can reach out to, so if you come across anyone you have found to be helpful, please let us know and we can share it with the whole school community.

Using ICT to support your child

Many of our pupils use technology on a regular basis to support their learning, for example, typing instead of writing, using spellcheckers, predictive technology, using text-to-speech or speech-to-text or listening to audio books.

Read&Write



Read&Write software is now free for everyone to use at home! It appears as a little purple jigsaw piece, and when you click on it, it gives a wealth of helpful tools such as text-to-speech, speech-to-text, predictive typing and a spellchecker. Below are the instructions on how to use it.

[Read&Write parent letter](#)

[Read&Write Home Guide for Pupils](#)

CALL Scotland



CALL Scotland are experts in assistive technology for people who have print disabilities such as Dyslexia, visual impairments or any other difficulties which mean it is

difficult to access print.

They have a wealth of free audio books on their website [Books for All](#), along with Scottish voices (Heather and Stuart!) to download and use with text-to-speech or speech-to-text. They recently published an article which lists programmes, software and tools which may be useful:

[CALL Scotland list of useful programmes for home learning](#)