



Useful Links for Parents and Teachers

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ACE centre

www.ace-centre.org.uk

Ablenet

www.ablenetinc.com

OTs with Apps

www.otswithapps.com

Applications

www.appsforaac.net

Back in Action

<http://www.backinaction.co.uk/posturepack>

Posture pack with seat wedge

Canchild

www.canchild.ca

CanChild is a research and educational centre that provides evidence-based information to improve the lives of children and youth with disabilities and their families.

Do2Learn

www.do2learn.com

Do2Learn uses technology and the web to provide special learning resources for individuals with disabilities and the professionals and caregivers who serve them.

Dyspraxia Association

www.dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk

A national charity established by parents to support their children with the difficulties associated with dyspraxia.

Handwriting without tears

www.hwtears.com

An easy way to teach pre-printing, printing, and cursive handwriting for all children.

Hemi-Help

www.hemihelp.org.uk

HemiHelp is a UK based charity for people with hemiplegia and their families. The website has lots of useful information for people with this condition.

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Hope Education

www.hope-education.co.uk

Hope supplies SEN resources, sensory equipment and special needs toys, and supports as part of Findel Educational a number of charities such as Dyslexia Action, The National Autistic Society and ADDISS.

Ian's Shoelace Site

www.fieggen.com

Learn traditional and adapted types of knots to tie your shoelaces in simple and basic steps, with lots of visual supports. Whether you're after shoelace tying speed, simplicity, security or style, there are 18 different shoelace knots to choose from, including several that Ian, the creator of the website, has created himself.

Inclusive technology

www.inclusive.co.uk

LDA – Primary and special needs

www.LDAlearning.com

Privacy boards, weighted lap pads/wraps, Move'n'Sit cushions, fidgets, scissors including adapted grasps, writestart desktop – sloped board, pencil grasps, reading window, scissor skills.

National Autistic Association

www.autism.org.uk

A leading UK charity for people with autism (including Asperger syndrome) and their families. The website provides information, support and pioneering services, and campaign for a better world for people with autism.

No time for flash cards

www.notimeforflashcards.com

A comprehensive webpage with lots of creative ideas for play and learning, well classified according to ages and themes.

Occupational Therapy Plan

www.otplan.com

An activity idea search engine for paediatric occupational therapy activities. Match skills you want to work on, with materials you have, to a detailed occupational therapy treatment activity.

One Place for Special Needs

www.oneplaceforspecialneeds.com

A self-funded disability project, run by Dawn Villarreal in Illinois.

PETA (UK) Ltd

www.peta-uk.com

Adapted scissors.

Play and play things website

www.pmh.health.wa.gov.au

Ideas for your child with special needs and their siblings. Produced by the Play and Learning Programme at the State Child Development Centre in Western Australia.

Specialdirect – motor skills

www.specialdirect.com

Fidgets, pencil grasps, scissor skills, scissors, angled boards, games and activities.

Sensory Processing Disorder Foundation

www.spdfoundation.net

Expanding knowledge, fostering awareness and promoting recognition of Sensory Processing Disorder

Taskmaster Ltd

www.taskmasteronline.co.uk

Large variety of pencil grasps, ruler with a handle, sand timers, variety of scissors, included adapted grasps, wooden slope board, line tracker for reading, Write from the Start fluency programme, dycem mat.

Your Therapy Source

www.yourtherapysource.com

Online resource for special education, paediatric occupational therapy and paediatric physical therapy.

Your therapy source has also produced this video about outdoor activities to develop handwriting skills:

Websites with free typing resources:

[Help Kidz Learn](#)

[Tux Typing](#)

[BBC Dance Mat Typing](#)

[Free Typing Game](#)

[Only Typing Games](#)

[Learning Games for Kids](#)