



HIGHLAND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICE

Information For Parents, Carers,
Families, Children and Young
People.

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The Assistive Technology Support Service offers a wide range of training in the use of assistive technology.

Training is offered through the Calendar of events published annually by the Education CPD Unit.

Courses cover:

Hardware and software training and multi-sensory applications to support:

- Writing
- Reading
- Varied learning styles
- Communication difficulties
- Physical access issues
- Sensory impairment

WHO DOES THE SERVICE WORK WITH?

Highland Council staff work in partnership with parents/carers to ensure that the needs of children are supported. The Council promotes an inclusive approach to service provision and takes account of individual needs and circumstances.

The Assistive Technology Teacher (ATT) offers assessment, support, and advice to schools and parents in relation to the use of assistive technology to support inclusive education. The service can be accessed for pupils who might benefit from the use of alternative means of recording or communication.

The ATT works with teachers, parents, and other support staff to establish strategies, techniques, and the best set-up of technological equipment to support the education of the pupil. Training and support is offered in school or through the annual training programme. The ATT also works closely with other Specialist Support Staff in Highland & Scotland.



REFERRAL PROCESS

Schools can refer a pupil to the Assistive Technology Teacher using the service referral form. Advice may be given online, or more complex needs may require a multi-agency approach as part of the Getting it Right for Every Child process.

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