

iPad Apps for supporting Students with Autism

Throughout the school year one of the seminars that teachers can attend is Supporting Students with Autism through the use of Apps. This course gives teachers an understanding of useful apps for iPads that can be used to help meet the needs of their students with Autism. Our specialist teachers who deliver this training to teachers have compiled this list to help support parents during this time. There are lots of apps available but the following apps are really useful for supporting the sensory needs of your student with Autism. There are both calming and alerting apps listed below. At the moment your child may need some extra support and so the calming apps may be helpful to you.

We would recommend that you would build Sensory Breaks into your child's day.

Please remember that not all apps are suitable for all needs – so please take the time to consider which would match to your child's needs.

- Glow Draw – the writing glows as you draw – fine motor, practice spellings or just relaxing - **FREE**
- DodgeDot – alerting game – matching colours, fine motor, gets harder as more dots appear - **FREE**
- Bubbles – create bubbles and then pop them, alerting and relaxing – google to find this one - **€0.49**
- Tiny Piano – free play or play along to a tune as the keys light up - **FREE**
- Draw Stars! – relaxing – stars appear as you draw your finger along the screen – also use to practice spellings if need motivation to engage - **Free**
- Flow Free – alerting and problem solving – the puzzle gets harder each level and it has a daily challenge - **FREE**
- I ❤️ Fireworks – alerting – make fireworks – record your show and watch it back – **FREE for lite version - €1.09 for other version**
- Sensory Just Touch – very alerting for sensory seekers – very visual - **FREE**
- Art of Glow – draw using various shapes that glow the colours of the rainbow - **FREE**
- Fluid – very relaxing – move your finger over water – listen to the music – change the picture from pebbles to their favourite teddy if you wish - **FREE**
- Fluid Dynamics – relaxing – watch as your drawing melts away - **FREE**
- Finger_Paint – whiteboard with 6 colours to paint a picture - **FREE**

- Silk – draw flowing art - €3.49

