

Holding Screen: Parent Forum

Hello everyone, Thank you for joining our parent forum. This forum is on **SEND** and will begin at 5pm.


If you have any questions that are relevant to this forum, that we could answer during this session, then please email your question to parentforum@rodingvalley.net.

Note: If you have a personal question relating to a specific subject etc, then please do contact the subject lead, subject teacher, or Year Progress Leader.


The parent forum email address will expire after the sessions.

Email- parentforum@rodingvalley.net





By the end of this session, you should have more understanding of:

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1. the main lockdown learning issues
 1. some idea of how to address accessibility issues
 1. how to help your child get organised
 1. what to do if it's not working

1. The main lockdown learning issues

Problem	We addressed that by:	Pros and Cons of Solution
1. Lack of teacher interaction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teaching half of all lessons LIVE	<p>Pro – better for mental health. Independent lesson can be done at students' own pace.</p> <p>Con – students feel rushed by LIVE lesson pace</p>
2. Larger classes for some subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Putting in small classes for English and Maths.Smaller classes for Science and History.	<p>Pro – students absorb material better in Core smaller classes</p> <p>Con – not all lessons can be taught in original groupings</p>
3. Teachers can't tell how much all students have understood.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Providing Google Docs, Padlet, Chat function.LSAs to work with smaller groups within larger classesSmall group work to continue in Numeracy, Literacy, Speech and Language, Mentoring.	<p>Pro – Students may feel less pressure to raise a hand in front of others.</p> <p>Con – students need to use new apps and technology and get used to using them in a lesson</p>

SEND considerations from a teacher's perspective

To support home learning - Before the lesson:

- Links to appropriate resources are provided.
- A video is created which explains the task, key concepts and expectations. This allows the students to learn at a pace appropriate to themselves.

To support home learning - During the lesson:

- An LSA is monitoring a live document your child works on. This allows the LSA to check understanding, encourage work and help challenge the student.

To support home learning - After the lesson:

- A 'questions' box is provided to students to have a teacher respond to.
- A learning check is complete to check understanding.

Lesson resources are differentiated.

This can include:

- A variety of tasks and mediums to engage with the subject knowledge.
- Pictures which illustrate a concept or keyword.
- Easy to find and direct instructions
- Points of reflection and consolidation in the lesson.



2. Addressing Accessibility Issues

	Microsoft/ Apple In-built Accessibility Features	Read&Write for Chrome	VoiceIn	Helperbird
1. Dyslexia and visual stress	<input type="checkbox"/>			
2. ADD and ADHD – attention difficulties with and without hyperactivity				
3. Autism and autistic spectrum needs	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4. Speech and Language Needs				
5. Physical Impairments (Hearing and Vision) and Medical Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>			

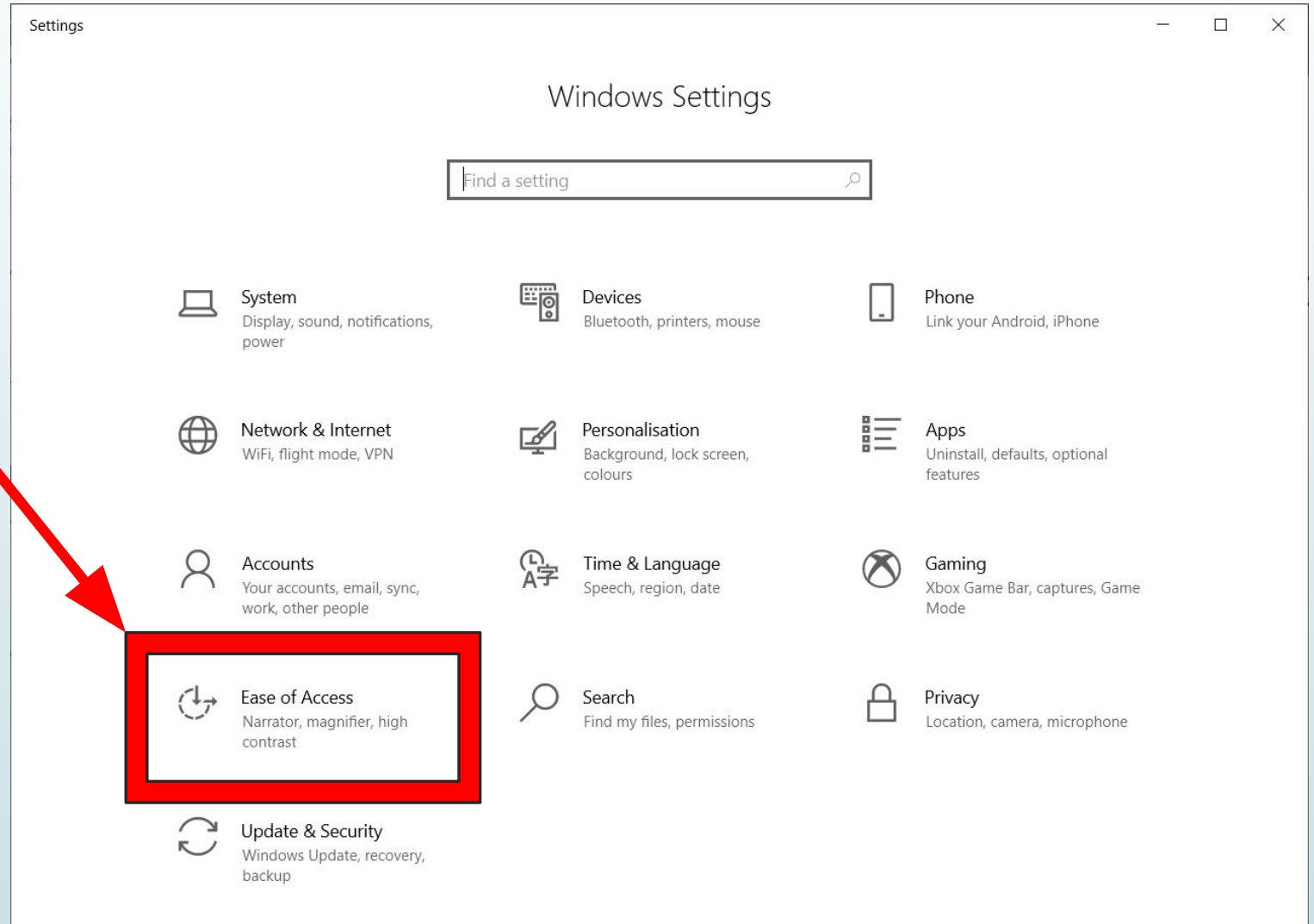
Microsoft / Apple Accessibility on your Laptop

Visual Impairment
magnifier

Colour-blindness
Contrast choices

Narrator
Read-aloud function

Hearing Impairment
closed captions / volume



<https://support.apple.com/accessibility>

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Use vision accessibility features

iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch are filled with accessibility features aimed at helping people who are blind or have low vision use their devices.

[Learn about accessibility features for vision >](#)



Use hearing accessibility features

Features such as Live Listen, RTT calls, and visual alerts help people who are deaf or hard of hearing use their iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch.

[Learn about iOS features for hearing >](#)



Navigate with Switch Control

With Switch Control, you can use a switch to select an item or location on your iOS device's screen, then choose an action to perform.

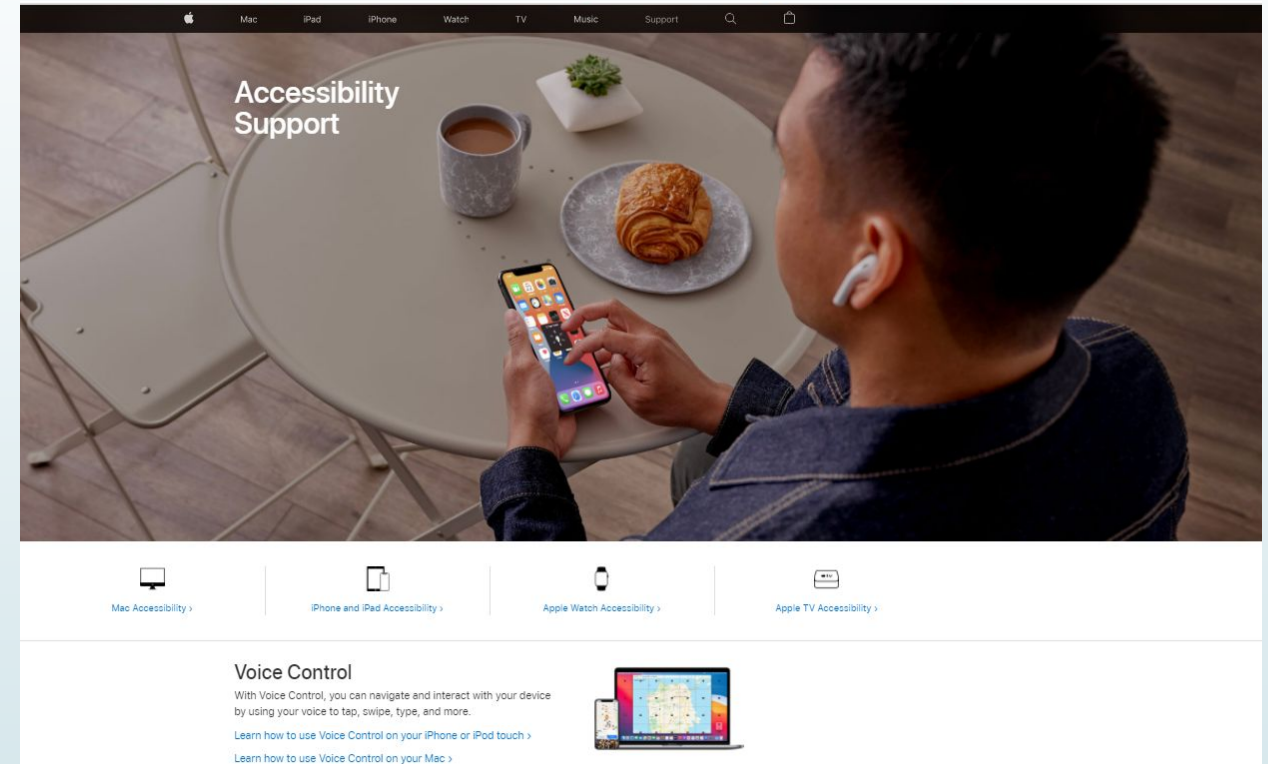
[Turn on and use Switch Control >](#)



Control features with Guided Access

Guided Access gives you control over potential distractions. For example, you can turn keyboard to prevent accidental input.

[Start using Guided Access >](#)



Discover Apple Support on YouTube

The official Apple Support YouTube page has accessibility tips, tricks, and how-tos, straight from Apple. Go deeper with videos on VoiceOver, AssistiveTouch, and other technologies built in to every iOS device.

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Dyslexia-friendly Apps and Chrome Web Extensions

- ❑ Visual Stress
- ❑ Open Type
- ❑ Speech to text

The image shows a grid of Chrome Web Store extensions. A red rectangular box highlights the 'Tools for school' category. Inside this box, two extensions are visible: 'Read&Write for Google Chrome' (purple icon, 2,114 stars) and 'VoiceIn: Get Voice Typing Everywhere' (microphone icon, 283 stars). Outside the red box, other extensions are visible in a grid:

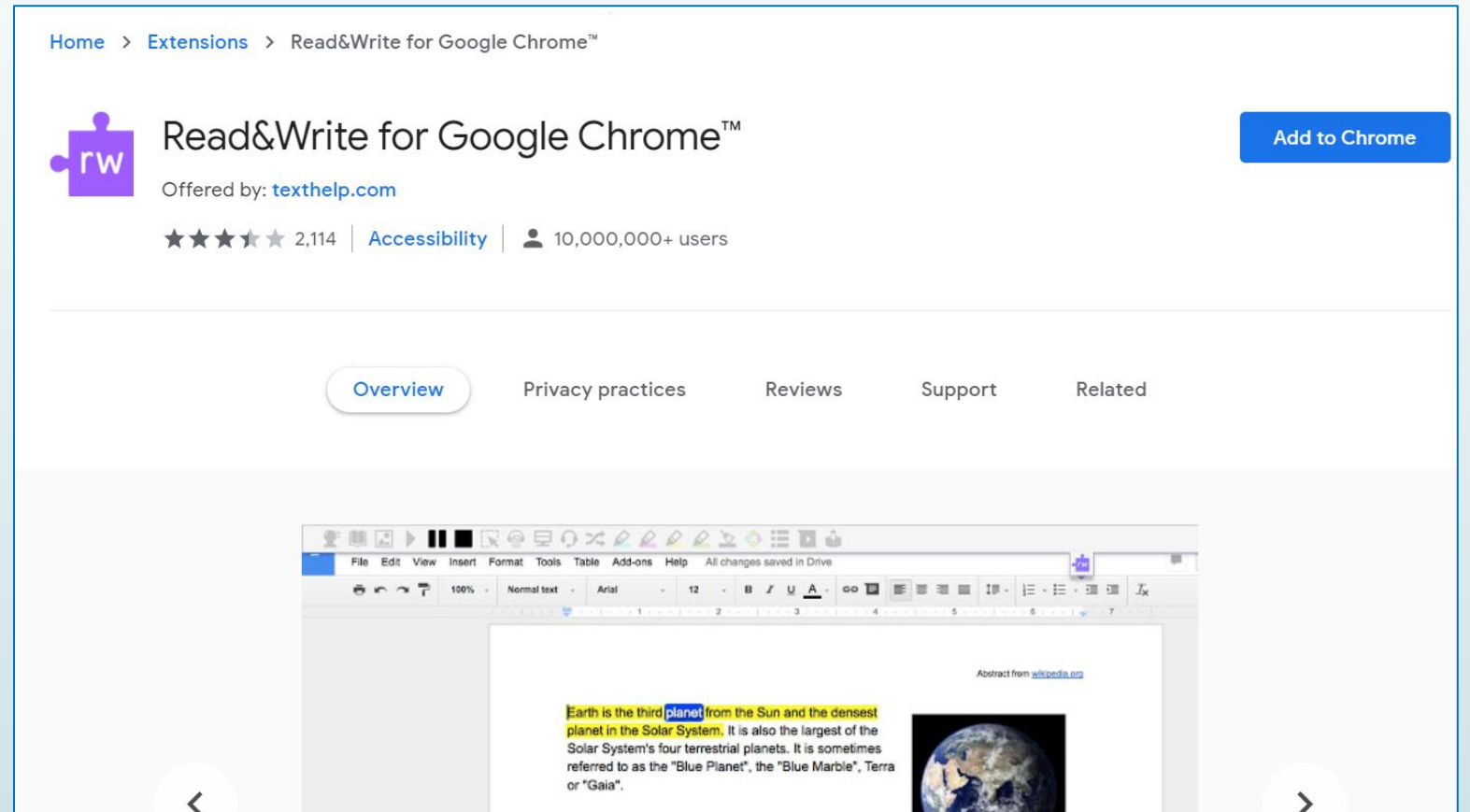
- GIPHY for Chrome** (GIPHY logo, 375 stars)
- EquatIO - Math made digital** (EquatIO logo, 594 stars)
- Google Dictionary (by Google)** (Google Dictionary logo, 16,504 stars)
- Cite This For Me: Web Citer** (Cite This For Me logo, 508 stars)
- Reverso - Translation, dictionary** (Reverso logo, 970 stars)
- Power Thesaurus** (Power Thesaurus logo, 297 stars)

Read&Write for Google Chrome

1. Highlight text to read aloud

1. Highlight words for visual picture

1. Change colour of text for visual stress



Voiceln – voice typing



Voice In Voice Typing

Offered by: <https://dictanote.co>

★★★★★ 283 | Productivity | 200,000+ users

Add to Chrome

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Enable Voice Typing
on EVERY website



Dyslexia

ADD

Speech and Language Needs

Helperbird: Accessibility and Dyslexia Software

- ❑ Change fonts to dyslexia friendly ones
- ❑ Overlay colours
- ❑ Use reading ruler

Dyslexia
ADD
Autism
Speech and Language Needs

The image shows a Chrome Web Store listing for the 'Helperbird: Accessibility & Dyslexia Software' extension. The listing includes the extension's icon (an owl), its name, the developer 'helperbird.com', a 4.5-star rating from 79 reviews, and over 10,000 users. A blue 'Add to Chrome' button is visible. Below the listing, a preview shows the extension's interface over a Wikipedia article about owls. The preview highlights features like a reading ruler, font changes, and color overlays, which are being demonstrated on the text 'Owls hunt mostly small mammals, insects, and other birds, and...'. The preview also shows the 'Watch later' and 'Share' buttons for the article.

Zoom

Visual Impairment Zoom

The screenshot displays the Chrome Web Store interface for the Zoom extension. The browser's address bar shows the URL `chrome.google.com/webstore/category/extensions`. The page header includes the "chrome web store" logo and a user profile icon for "ltarantini-amor@rodingvalley.net". The main content area features a large card for the Zoom extension with the text "With a click to the perfect scale Zoom™". The card includes a visual of a magnifying glass over a browser window, highlighting the Zoom extension icon. Below the main card, there is a "Recommended For You" section with four extension thumbnails: "Custom Cursor", a fox-themed extension, "SessionBox Multi account management", and a moon-themed extension. On the left side of the page, there is a filter sidebar with checkboxes for "Runs Offline", "By Google", "Free", "Available for Android", and "Works with Google Drive".

Chrome Web Store - Extensions x +

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Ratings

3. Help your child get organised

- ❑ Creating a tick list
- ❑ Things I need
- ❑ Instructions in Order
- ❑ Work space where possible
- ❑ Routine

Lesson Structure ☒

1. Write Date & underline it	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Write 'DIN' & underline it	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Answer DIN	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Write the title & underline it.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Task 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Learning Check 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Task 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Learning Check 2	<input type="checkbox"/>

Now

Next



Creating Projects to Help Organise Materials



Article from onecrazyhouse.com

15 Ways to Make Cereal Box Organizers

Stylish ways to upcycle cereal boxes to use them to organize the home | Repurpose and reuse | Organize your home | Get involved | Hacks, tips and tricks to easily organize life at home



Article by **The Thrifty Couple** | DIY, Crafts, Frugal Living, Recipes, Tips for Intentional Living

Organisation Hacks

Organizing Hacks

Desk Organization Di

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1. Glue cereal boxes together
2. Wrap tape around boxes.
3. Wrap boxes with decorative

desk organizer



Clipboard Crafts: How to Make Customized Decorative...

These Decorative Clipboards are fun to use, simple to make, and are a great thrifty gift, too!!

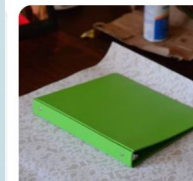


Saved by **The Frugal Girls**

Fun Crafts To Do Cute Crafts Arts And Crafts Paper Crafts C

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More ideas for you



4. What to do if it's not working

- ❑ Contact your child's teachers directly
- ❑ Contact the SENDCo
- ❑ Decide on a focus
- ❑ Decide on a method
- ❑ Trial and error

Links

- [Dyslexia and Accessibility](#)
- [Accessibility Support for Apple](#)
- [Read&Write](#) (Also Read&Write for Chrome)
- [Dyslexie font](#)
- [Google Chrome Help](#)
- Crossbow Educational Supplies –available on Amazon