

## **List of Assistive Technology**

The assistive technology listed below are the most easily available and simple to use. They allow all pupils to access text easily and can be beneficial in allowing time away from concentrating on the screen.

### **TEAMS: Immersive Reader**

Immersive reader can read out all text found on teams, chats and assignment instructions. The link below will give you a short and easy intro into how to use it.

<https://youtu.be/GIRVT4jiS9g>

### **Microsoft word – Text-to-Speech, Speech-to Text**

Immersive reader can be found in the 'view tab'. You can alter font size, background, voice etc.to suit the individual. Microsoft Word also has a dictate facility found on the main toolbar

### **Read and Write (TextHelp) - Text-to-speech, speech-to-text...**

This programme is available for all pupils in school and works independently across all programmes to read text, dictate, translate, can alter screen colours (overlays) for ease of reading and many more functions besides. It is This is free to download and can be found in Glow in the Portlethen Academy launch pad.

There are many short You-Tube tutorials from TextHelp on all the various functions of Read and Write.

### **PDF Files**

For a file in PDF format go to the view tab at the very top of the page (small text) and scroll down too Read Aloud – it will then select the portion of text your cursor is on to read.

### **Speechify**

App available on Apple and Android platforms for use on all paper based text – scans an image of the text to be read aloud.

Any questions on the functions or how to use any of the above please feel free to contact the Additional Support for Learners team.