



## Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC)

### TouchChat



- TouchChat is an iOS- based AAC app.
- It supports individuals who have difficulty with communication to interact with the world around them.
- It is highly customisable and can be tailored to specific areas of need and adjusted accordingly as the individual's communication develops.

### How is TouchChat used?

- At Marjory Kinnon School, we are using iPads with TouchChat as one of the ways to support the communication needs of our children.
- TouchChat can form part of a 'communication toolkit,' alongside other systems, such as visual aids and Makaton.
- As with all communication systems, it is not a 'one size fits all', so it is not necessarily the answer for all children.

### Can I use TouchChat at home?

If you would like to have a look at the app at home, TouchChat offer a free 30 Day trial:

- Download 'TouchChat Discover' from the App Store.
- After downloading, you'll have the option to start a free 30 day trial or to use the WordPower96 English and Spanish lite-tech boards.

TouchChat is compatible with iPad\*, iPad mini\*, iPhone, iPod touch. However, for accessibility reasons, using it on an iPad/iPad mini is preferable. **\*at least version 4 upwards**

### Where can I find more information?

- [www.touchchatapp.com](http://www.touchchatapp.com)
- Please feel free to contact Isobel Hatfield (SALT) or Jozsef Kalman (Assistant Head – EYS and Primary) at MKS if you have questions about how the app is being used at school or to discuss purchasing for home.