Supporting students with disabilities

The schools and students we work with are each unique, and we believe in providing tools that help all learners and educators reach their potential. Within **classroom.cloud**, you'll find a wealth of resources that will help support your learning environment by meeting students where they are.

Screen Sharing

Support students with visual impairments by projecting your screen directly on their device, allowing them to follow along without having to move closer to the front. Teachers can annotate the screen to highlight specific details to take note of. 1:1 screen sharing is also a great way to working individually with students without drawing attention to them.

Audio Support

Teachers can share their audio while presenting to students; those who have difficulty hearing are able to use headphones and adjust the volume accordingly. Consider letting your students use headphones while you are presenting to support those who have auditory processing disorder (APD).

Chat and Help Requests

Student voice is an essential part of learning, so we want all students to feel they can confidently express themselves. The student toolbar gives them access to resources, like the help request tool. Students can type out a message to teachers, but for those who struggle, they can simply indicate "need help," "work complete," or "urgent help" with the click of a mouse.

classroom.cloud also includes a variety of ways to communicate with students such as one-way messaging. For students who struggle with time management, using the messaging feature is an easy way to alert them to remaining time without the need to yell in the classroom or single them out.

The chat feature facilitates another means of supporting alternative communication. Those students who struggle with language processing disorder (LPD), non-verbal learning disabilities (NVLD), or other difficulties with speech have the option to interact with the teacher and fellow students via a chat that is monitored by the teacher.
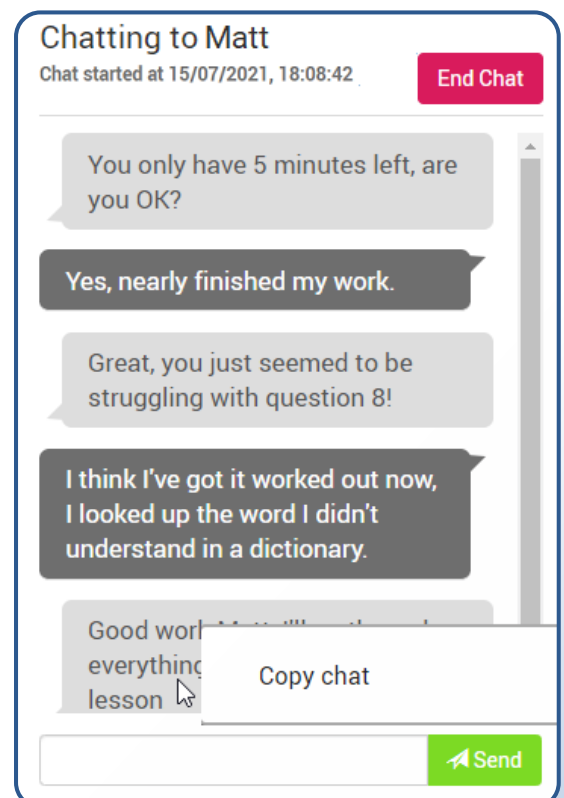
Remote Control (Windows and Mac)

Personal space is important to everyone, but many students with disabilities have preferences about their "personal bubble". Using the built-in remote control, teachers can provide support to students without needing to stand over their shoulder and "invade their space". This also helps to reduce frustration as teachers can intervene before students become overwhelmed.
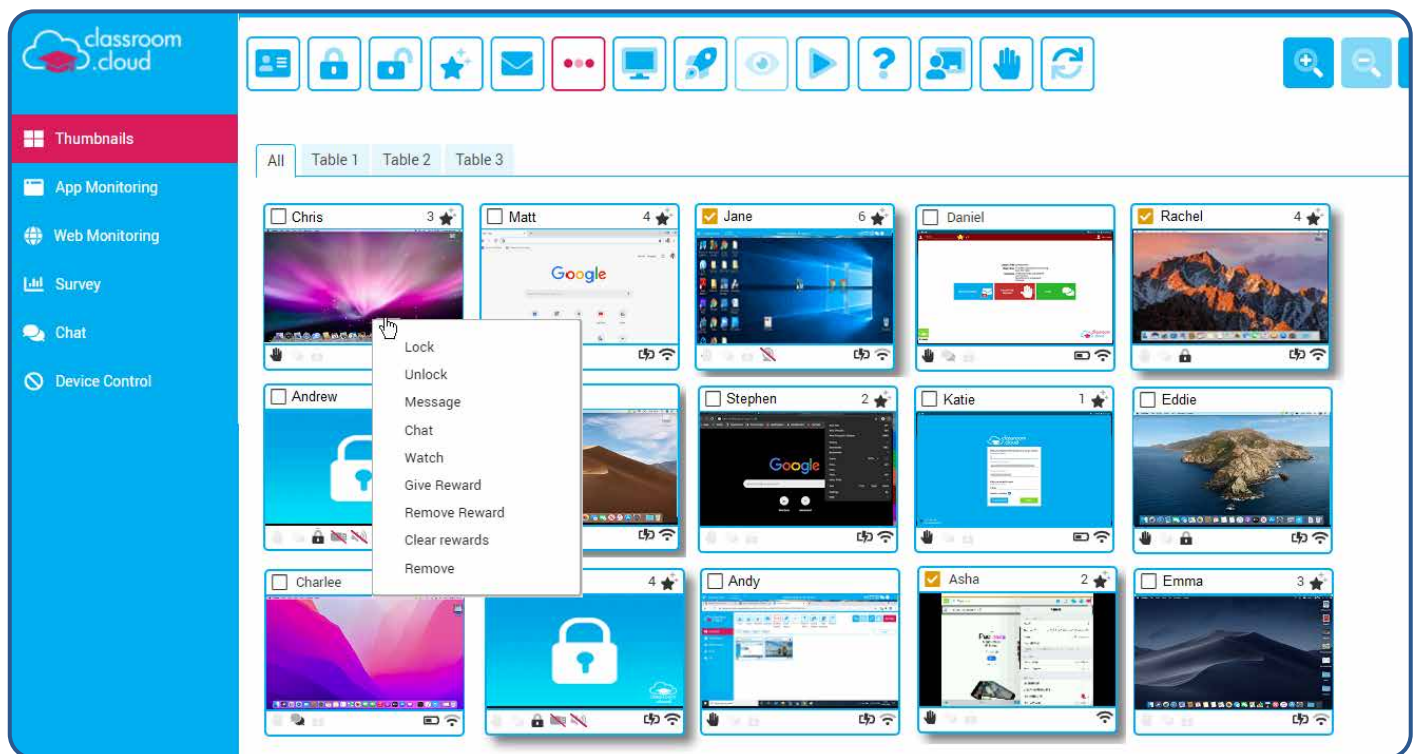
Online Safety

Student safety online is a concern for everyone. We want to protect our students from accidentally or intentionally stumbling upon content that is unsafe, so classroom.cloud incorporates several different tools that can be implemented:

- Internet monitoring: restrict student access to a specific list of sites, block all internet access, or block specific sites.

- Quick launch: push a URL to student devices to get everyone on the same page.

- Keyword/phrase monitoring to further protect students.

- Online safety groups: these can be created to deliver focused monitoring of, for example, specific year groups or students considered vulnerable.

- And more!