Resources and Further Information for the iPad

Sites with General Information about the iPad
Apple – the Apple iPad web site has information about the different models and accessories for the iPad, with links to the Education pages for more specific information on educational use.
http://www.apple.com/ipad/
Edudemic – this is a general education web site based in the USA. It has a database of educational apps, but with over 50,000 apps in its database is really too big to be useful. There is lots of general information about iPads that can be useful.
http://apps.edudemic.com/
Lauren S Enders – 'Pinterest page comprising the ultimate collection of iPad resources.
http://pinterest.com/lasenders/
Jane Farrall Consulting – Jane maintains the list of apps on Augmentative and Alternative Communication on the Spectronics web site. Her blog provides regular updates on new apps and accessories for the iPad.
http://www.janefarrall.com/
iPads for Learning – web site set up for project introducing iPads to a group of schools in Australia. Includes guides to using iPads with pupils with additional support needs, case studies and other useful information.
http://www.ipadsforeducation.vic.edu.au/
iPod/iPad and Apps Resource – Simon Technology Center resource with basic information on iPads and Apps.
http://www.pacer.org/stc/pubs/AllAboutAppsforEducationHandout.pdf
Meg Wilson @ iPodsibilities - Meg Wilson's Twitter page provides a comprehensive resource for all things Apps which are geared towards learning and teaching. Recent resources include Apps to support spelling, art, music and regular updates on relevant issues to iPads and Apps.

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https://twitter.com/#%21/iPodsibilities

Learning in Hand – web site created by Tony Vincent with extensive section on use of iPads, including regular blogs, 'dos and don'ts', links to lists of apps.

http://learninginhand.com/ipad/

The Website of Luis Perez – various blogs on different aspects of the iPad, particularly relating to accessibility.

http://luisperezonline.com/

Spectronics Blog – Australia-based technology suppliers who put a lot of effort into providing information about technology. The basic blog has lots of useful information and there are links to sub-lists with balanced comparisons of apps for different purposes (see below).

http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/blog/apple/

iPads in Special Education - Spectronics 'Scoop It' site with latest information from Spectronics and other sites.

http://www.scoop.it/t/ipads-in-special-education

Fraser Speirs – Fraser is a teacher at the Cedars School, an independent school in Inverclyde, which has implemented a policy of one iPad per pupil. His blog describes how this was implemented and provides updates on iPads in general.

http://speirs.org/

Lists of Apps - There are hundreds of lists of apps for various purposes circulating on the internet. Here are some of the more useful ones:

10 Best Dictation Apps – useful for converting from speech to text, or just for recording what somebody says.

http://blog.dreamcss.com/iphone/10-best-dictation-apps-for-iphone/

50 Useful Apps for Students with Learning Disabilities – this is an extract from the Edudemic web site, listing apps that may help learners with dyslexia.

http://edudemic.com/2012/09/the-50-best-ipad-apps-for-students-with-reading-disabilities/
AppsForAAC – probably the most comprehensive online list of apps for Augmentative and Alternative Communication, making it possible to find the apps that are most suitable for an individual.
http://www.appsforaac.net/
Apps for ASD iPad Project – Comprehensive list of curriculum-based apps for children with autism, compiled by teachers taking part in project in Canada. Downloadable from
http://smartinclusion.wikispaces.com/iPads.ASD+Research
Apps for Children with Special Needs – information on a wide range of apps suitable for children with additional support needs, including reviews and video captures that let you see what an app actually does.
http://a4cwsn.com/
Apps for Early Literacy   - fairly comprehensive list compiled by Amanda Hartman - just titles, with links to information on iTunes,
http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/online/profile/apps-for-early-literacy-introduction/
Apps for Literacy Support – List of apps for reading, writing, organizing compiled by Spectronics team. Provides descriptions and comments on individual apps.
http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/apps-for-literacy-support
Apps for SLPs – part of the GeekSLP resource on iPads, with a particular emphasis on speech and language.
http://www.geekslp.com/
Apps for Special Education – Spectronics site with reviews of apps suitable for children with additional support needs.
http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/article/apps-for-special-education
Cool and Amazing Apps for Kids – Blog with fun apps and activities for children.
http://bloggerspath.com/cool-and-amazing-ipad-apps-for-kids/

iPhone / iPad Apps for AAC – Jane Farrall's comprehensive list of apps for augmentative and alternative communication, with informative comments and ratings for each.
http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/article/iphoneipad-apps-for-aac
KinderTown – this is a online database allowing the user to search for educational apps on a range of topics. Individual apps have been reviewed by teachers.
http://www.kindertown.com/
OTs with Apps - apps that can be used to help letter formation and other motor skills,
http://otswithapps.com/
Eric Sailers – categorised lists of apps covering special education
http://www.scribd.com/doc/24470331/iPhone-iPad-and-iPod-touch-Apps-for-Special-Education#
Switch Accessible Apps for iPad / iPhone – Comprehensive list of apps that can be used with switches, with information on which switch works with which app.
http://smartinclusion.wikispaces.com/IPOD%2C+IPAD+Resources
App Deals - App Deals - an App which gives you instant access to Apps which are discounted for a limited-time only or for free.
http://bit.ly/dailyapp_deals
'How to…' Guides
8 Typing Tips for the iPad and iPhone that Everyone should Know and Use.
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	http://mcgrc.com/publications/publications/
iPad Scotland Evaluation (2012) Kevin Burden et al, University of Hull.	
	http://www2.hull.ac.uk/ifl/ipadresearchinschools.aspx
The iPad as a Tool for Education: A Study of the Introduction of iPads at Longfield Academy, Kent (2012) Paul Heinrich, Paul Heinrich and Co.	
	http://www.naace.co.uk/publications/longfieldipadresearch
Reading in a Technological World: Comparing the iPad to Print, Shannon Stewart, MEd Thesis, Bowling Green State University.	
	http://etd.ohiolink.edu/view.cgi?acc_num=bgsu1335287048
Autism and the iPad: Finding the Therapy in Consumer Tech, Technology Voice Newsletter, Family Centre on Technology and Disability	
	http://www.fctd.info/newsletters
Unlocking Literacy with iPad (2012), Jim Harmon, Euclid Schools, Ohio.	
	http://www.throughstudentseyes.org/ipads/Unlocking_Literacy_with_iPad/iPads.html
Books	
Getting Started: IPads for Special Needs (2012) by Sami Rahman	

iPads for Communication, Access, Literacy and Learning (iCALL) (2012) by Craig Mill and the CALL Team, CALL Scotland
iPads, Apps and Special Learners: A-Z for Beginners (2012) by Flo Longhorn
Apps for Learning, Special Needs: 40 Best iPad / iPod Touch / iPhone Apps for Special Needs (forthcoming) by Harry Dickens