

Central Bedfordshire Family Events and SEND Support Summer 2023

CHUMS WORKSHOPS

Parent Sleep Workshop (Children aged 12 and under) - Tuesday 6th June; 17:00-19:00pm

The workshop will cover the following topics; why sleep is important, what is 'good' sleep, possible causes of sleep difficulties and learning strategies to help overcome sleep problems.

Teenage Sleep Workshop (Children aged 13+) - Tuesday 20th June; 16:00-18:00pm

The workshop will cover the following topics; why sleep is important, what is 'good' sleep, sleep hygiene tips and strategies for managing worries at night.

Parent Self-esteem workshop (Children aged 12 and under) - Tuesday 4th July; 17:00-19:00pm

The workshop equips parents with an understanding of self-esteem and ways to promote high self-esteem through parenting style and collaborative activities to try at home with their young person.

Teenage self-esteem (Parents and young people 13+) - Monday 12th June; 16:00-18:00pm

One off workshop which equips teenagers with an understanding of self-esteem and tools to build confidence through thought challenging, relaxation and activities to celebrate strengths and successes. Workshop also offers parental tips for building self-esteem in adolescence.

0-5 Resiliency Workshop (Parents of children aged 0-5) - Wednesday 19th July; 17:00pm-19:00pm

The workshop will look at the importance of relationships, healthy attachment and how children are constantly learning from those around them. It will cover emotional regulation and how parents/carers are in a prime position to model healthy emotional regulation and behaviours. The workshop will also cover strategies and techniques to help build resiliency in children.

Primary Resiliency Workshop - (Parents of children aged 6-12) – Wednesday 24th May; 09:30-11:30am

The workshop will cover the following topics; mental health vs mental health problems, emotional regulation, psychoeducation around anxiety and low mood, and strategies for relaxation.

Secondary Resiliency Workshop (Children aged 13+) – Monday 27th June; 16:00-18:00pm

Tuesday 9th May; 17:00-19:00pm

The workshop will cover the following topics; mental health vs mental health problems, emotional regulation, psychoeducation around anxiety and low mood, and strategies for relaxation.

Anxiety Workshop (Parents of children under the age of 12) - Wednesday 10th May; 17:00-19:00pm

The workshop will cover the following topics; Emotional development in children, emotional regulation, psychoeducation around anxiety and anxiety management strategies.

Transition Workshops – Lower-Middle transitions (parent only) – Wednesday 9th August 17:00pm-19:00pm Primary-Secondary/Middle-Upper transitions (Parent and young person) – Friday 18th August 9:30am-11:30am

One-off psychoeducation workshops that provides anxiety /behavioural strategies based on guided self-help to help children with transitions to new schools / reintegration back to school. Parents and young people can attend:

Exam Stress Workshop Tuesday 9th May; 17:00-19:00pm

Teenage workshop for young people aged 12+ and their parent/carers - One off workshop which equips teenagers with an understanding of exam stress, strategies for managing exam stress, revision tips and self-care. The workshop also offers parental tips for supporting their adolescent's exam stress.

Families must be registered to a GP surgery in Central Bedfordshire, Bedford Borough or Luton to be accepted onto a workshop.

If families wish to attend any workshop, <u>click here to complete registration form</u> and email it to <u>fwteam@chums.uk.com</u>. Please note, families must sign up at least a week before the workshop they wish to attend and places are allocated on a first-come, first served basis.



Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing Service

Dan Gaze Support Service

2A Commerce Way, Flitwick, Bedfordshire, MK45 5BP Email: dgssltd@outlook.com Company's House no: 14235066

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Use your feet and get off the street!

Free Football Club

Clifton Park – every Wednesday 6pm – 7pm

(Starts Wednesday 03.05.2023 - 24 05.2023)

Ages 14 and above

No registration required. Just turn up at venue Use your feet & get off the street !

Young Carer Support

Who are young carers?

We recognise a young carer to be a child or young person aged 5-17 who looks after someone in their family who has an illness, disability, mental health, or substance misuse problem, who takes on practical and/or emotional caring responsibilities which are normally expected of an adult.

Young carers may:

- Carry out practical tasks such as cooking, shopping, washing, or cleaning
- Help with money
- Look after their brothers and sisters
- Offer other practical and emotional support.
- Collecting and giving medications

What do we offer?

We have some fantastic events and support you might like to know about!

- Regular groups to meet other young carers and join in activities
- Access to wellbeing support
- Chatterbooks book clubs held at libraries across Central Bedfordshire
- Fun activities and events such as magic shows, fetes, bowling, laser tag, zoo trips and more!
- Young carers Voice groups providing a chance for you to have your say on what we offer
- o And much more!

Get involved

Are you a child or young person who cares for your brother, sister, parent, or family member?

If you have answered yes to the above question, or this sounds like something you do, contact us find out how we can support you and register you as a young carer.

You, or your parent or carer, can call us on: 💽 0300 300 8585

Just tell us you are calling to register as a young carer, and give your (or your child's) name, date of birth, address, and contact details.

To find out more about what we offer and how we can support you, please get in touch.

"Young Carers has changed my life as I can have a break away from caring... Some people don't understand that, but you get to play with people that do... You can talk to people that understand what you're feeling." Young carer

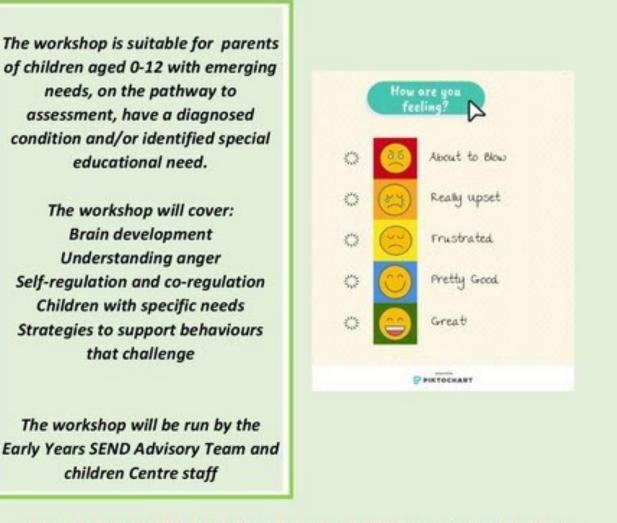
"This group has boosted our children's confidence and our children can't wait to go every month. Life at home with a disabled Mum in a lot of pain can be hard, but knowing they can have a couple of hours to be kids and have loads of fun is so important to us." Parent

Workshop for parents:

Understanding Emotions and Behaviour of Children that are Neurodiverse (Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities)

Please book via the Houghton Regis children centre to attend the workshop

Children centres provide a friendly service to families with children ages 0-12 years



Face to face workshop at Houghton Regis children centre, Monday 22nd May 2023, 10.00 am to 12.30 noon (unfortunately no children can attend)

Online via Microsoft teams, Wednesday 22nd May 2023, 4.00 pm-6.00 pm



Houghton Regis Children's Centre 0300 300 8115, 0300 300 8129 or via the Houghton Regis Facebook page



Zoom Parent/ Carer Workshop

Autism & Mental Health

Thursday 29th June | 10am - 1pm

£15 AB Members / £20 Non-AB Members

This workshop provides you with the opportunity to explore and understand:

- an overview of co-existing mental health conditions commonly
- experienced by autistic people and how they effect their individual needs • resources and strategies for supporting individuals
- how to proactively adapt environments and practices to prevent needs
 escalating
 LIMITED NUMBER OF SPACES AVAILABLE

To book: 01234 214871

enquiries@autismbeds.org



Zoom Parent/ Carer Workshop

Autism and Behaviour

E15 AB Members / £20 Non-AB Members

This workshop provides you with the opportunity to explore and understand:

- The difficulties autism may cause in regulating behaviours
- How to adapt environments & practices to meet the needs of autistic individuals
- Strategies for managing difficult situations

LIMITED NUMBER OF SPACES AVAILABLE

To book:

01234 214871

enquiries@autismbeds.org

The training will be online, using Deline training to booked on, we will provide you with the details to join.





Talking Elephants- Bereavement Support

Talking Elephants is our growing network of free monthly bereavement support groups, open to anyone who has suffered loss, who would appreciate a friendly face, some support, and a chance to engage with people going through something similar, over a cup of coffee. Having worked with bereaved families for many years, we understand that meeting other people who understand how you feel can be hugely beneficial. We set up Talking Elephants to provide a relaxed, comfortable space for our communities to meet and talk as little or as much as they would like.

Our groups are held on the following dates* and at these locations

Hitchin. Holy Saviour Church Hall, Holy Saviour Church. Radcliffe Road, Hitchin, SG5 1QG.

Held every fourth Thursday of each month. 1pm-3pm.

Shefford. Shefford Methodist Church, Ampthill Road, Shefford, SG17 5BE.

Held every fourth Friday of each month. 12:30pm-2:30pm.

Held every fourth Tuesday of each month. 1:30pm-3:30pm.

*excluding Bank Holidays

If you, or anyone you know, would benefit from attending one of our groups or courses, please contact the team on 01582 499680 or at

https://www.nevillefuneralservice.com/support-groups-update/



Need support?

in partnership with shout

Text REFLECT to 85258 to start a free, confidential text conversation with a trained volunteer, who can help with issues such as:

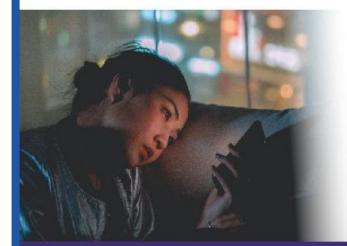
- Anxiety
- Stress
- Depression
- Suicidal thoughts
- Self-harm

- Abuse
- Relationship problems
- Bullying
- Panic attacks
 - Loneliness

Texting is anonymous and will not appear on your phone bill. You will not be charged for using this service.

For support while we connect you, visit: giveusashout.org/get-help/resources.

If your life is at risk, please call 999 for immediate help.



" The conversation we had made me feel so much better 11

Text RELFECT to 85258 for free and confidential support 24/7

Young Person's Sanctuary

Supporting young people with mental health across Bedford there is always someone there who will listen

OPENING TIMES See below

A safe, nonjudgemental, and relaxed space





CAMHS, 5-7 Rush Court, Bedford MK40 3JT

Location:

Monday - Friday (5.00pm – 10.00pm) Saturday & Sunday (4.00pm - 10.00pm)



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To find out more: **(** 0300 330 0648 yps@mind-blmk.org.uk



www.mind-blmk.org.uk Charity No. 1068724



Young Person's Sanctuary

Our Young Person's Sanctuaries are safe, non-judgemental spaces that you can come to if you find yourself in crisis or mental distress in the evenings. You will be met by a trained mental health worker who will listen and help you identify ways to address the problems you are facing.

Who are the Young Person's Sanctuaries for?

- Young people (14-17yrs) who are experiencing severe mental distress or crisis. Young people are welcome to bring anyone from their support system.
- Young people do not need to be known to mental health services to attend.

What can you expect?

- A safe, non-judgemental, and relaxed space
- A confidential one-to-one session with a trained mental health worker

- Support to identify coping mechanisms and building emotional resilience
- A step-by-step tailored guide on how to access support and keep safe

Do you need an appointment?

Each Young Person Sanctuary is now operating a drop-in service and an appointment is not required.

Find your nearest YPS and opening times by scanning the above QR code.

For more information please contact: e: YPS@mind-blmk.org.uk t: 0300 330 0648



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Introduction to Health & Velbeing •



Every Wednesday @ 10am Betty Dodd Court - Leagrave, Luton

Basic IT Skills with NOAH- 19th April - 8 weeks

Sound Baths - 21st June 11:30 - 12:30 pm - 6 weeks

Percussion Drumming - 21st June from 10:00 - 11:30 am - 6 weeks

Lost Stories - 2nd August - 4 weeks.



Luton

For further information: email elft.recoverycollege@nhs.net or telephone 01234 263 621

www.mindrecoverynet.org.uk/prov iders_profile/bedfordshire-andluton-recovery-college/





Parent & Professional Insight

Opportunity to ask questions, gain information, advice, and guidance on Exploring Healthy Boundaries

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Guest Speakers

Rebecca Gooch and Gemma Byass – CBC Emotional Wellbeing Practitioner's

> Parent & Professional session Tuesday 6th June

> > 11am-1.30pm

Free to attend via Microsoft Teams

Register for you place via the Eventbrite link below

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/522470392007

Resources will be sent out after each session

Organised by the CBC Early Help Teams:

For more information, please contact

Central Bedfordshire

North Early Help -northearlyhelp@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

South Early Help_southearlyhelp@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk



Parent Insight

Opportunity to ask questions, gain information, advice, and guidance on accessing the HAF Programme



Guest Speaker Michelle Hart HAF Co Ordinator Parent session Tuesday 4th July 2023 16.30-17.30pm

Free to attend via Microsoft Teams Register for you place via the Eventbrite link below

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/522595275537

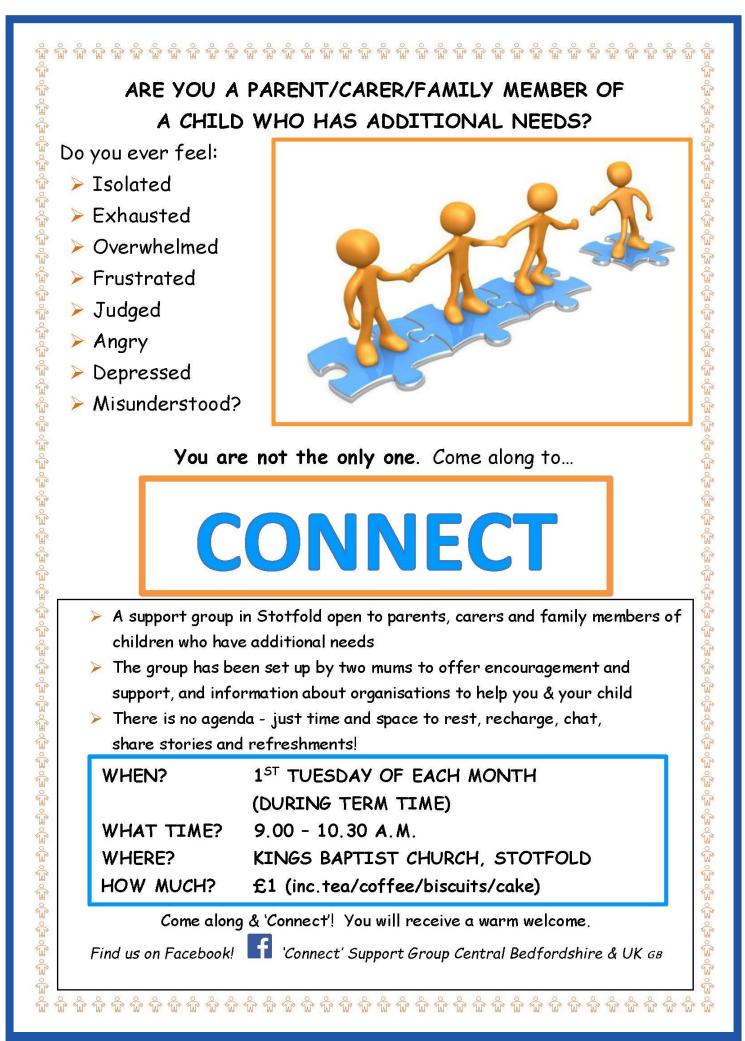
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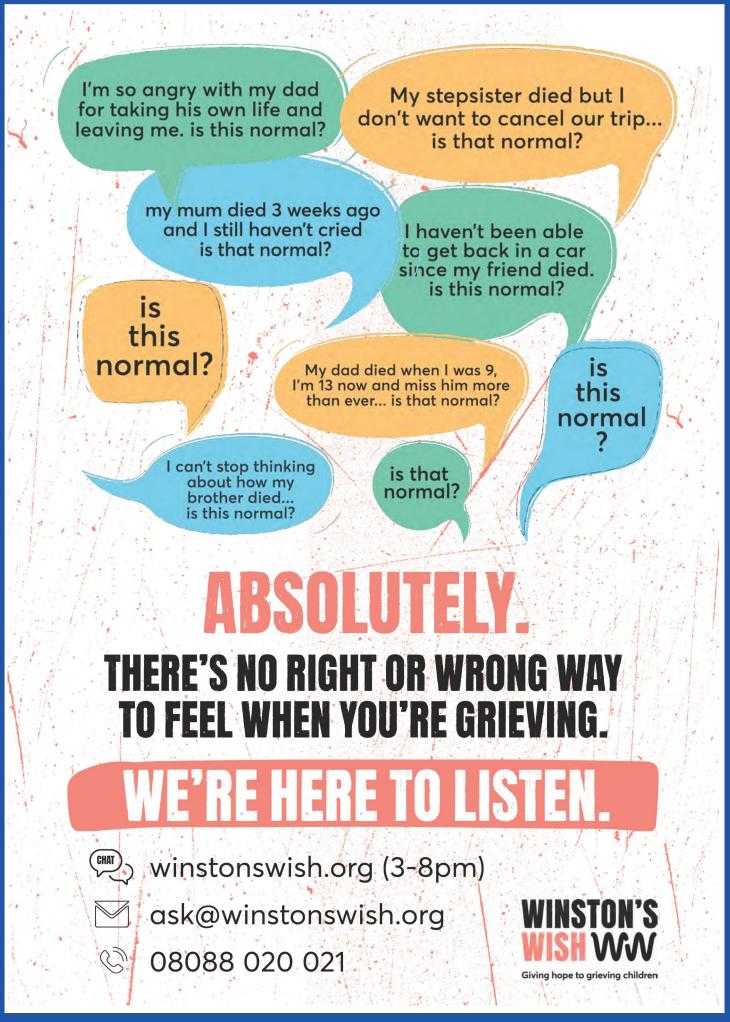
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Supported Pathway for 16-25 year olds YouTurn Restore Reference Re

YouTurn Futures supported pathway service is here to help young people move away from the potential risks of exploitation, violence, knife crime, gangs and organised criminality. Our focus is to support them to improve their life choices and aspirations.

> We are able to provide intensive one to one sessions, offering advice and guidance, getting young people to reflect on their current circumstances and lifestyles and explore opportunities for change. We offer a non-judgemental, flexible and person-centred approach

Our aim is to empower individuals to access resources that will make a positive impact on their future Our dedicated service aims to meet the needs of young people

who don't meet the threshold for more intensive support services

Our service aims to:

 Improve and encourage engagement with other services

 Support the transition from young persons to adult services
 Encourage young people to consider

their lifestyle choices, understand risk and explore opportunities for their future

- Assist statutory services with the support they are already offering
- Assess and identify a young person's pathway needs
- Offer intensive one to one sessions at a suitable venue
- Signpost and refer on to additional support services



If you would like to make a referral to our service please contact one of the team to discuss: Emma 07714 794087 Email: admin@youturnfutures.com



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Do you identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community?

Would you like a safe, non judgemental place to go?

Are you aged 12 to 18 years old?

Come and join us at your new local youth club opening in November

To find out more, contact Karla Ruggles Call / Text : 07809201099

Email: karla.ruggles@groundwork.org.uk



CAMPS PRIMARY CARE ACCESS SERVICE (PCAS) A NEW COMMUNITY TEAM WITHIN BEDFORDSHIRE CAMHS

WHO CAN ACCESS

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE UP TO AGE OF 18

ATTEND A GP APPOINTMENT AT YOUR BEDFORDSHIRE GP AND THEY WILL MAKE THE REFERRAL

WHAT SUPPORT IS

OFFERED

HOW TO ACCESS

4 - 6 INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS

- LOW INTENSITY CBT
- GROUP WORK
- **BASED IN YOUR GP SURGERY**

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MEET THE TEAM

East London



making communications work for everyone

Cheaper internet is available to customers on benefits

Social tariffs are cheaper broadband packages for people claiming Universal Credit, Pension Credit, and some other benefits. They're reliable, fast enough for most customers and easy to switch to. Tariffs start from £15 a month.

	Availability	Monthly price	Speed	
вт	UK wide	£15	36 Mb	¢
	OK WIDE	£20	67 Mb	
Sky	UK wide	£20	36 Mb	
NOW Broadband	UK wide	£20	36 Mb	¢
Virgin Media	Most of UK	£15	15 Mb	¢
Hyperoptic	Selected towns and cities	£15	50 Mb	¢
		£25	150 Mb	
Air Broadband	Selected towns and cities	£20	100 Mb	

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London: <u>G.Network</u> £15 a month for 50 Mb.

Hull area: <u>KCom</u> £14.99 a month for 30 Mb.

Wales: <u>CountryConnect</u> £15 a month for 50 Mb.

Mobile internet

VOXI by Vodafone offers unlimited data, calls and texts for £10 per month on a simonly deal.

For more details on the offers, follow the links provided or search for "Ofcom social tariffs".



Strengthening Families 10-14

Programme

SF10-14 is designed to strengthen families, improve communication within families and enables families to work together to support their young people to achieve their goals, make positive choices and resist peer pressure.

Strengthening Families 10-14 (SF 10-14) is a 7-week programme for parents and young people where there is potential for relationship breakdown.

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This consists of separate group-based sessions with young people and parents/carers, followed by joint activity sessions.

This programme is only for families with children between the ages of 10-14.

The SF10-14 programme is run by trained, friendly experienced practitioners. It will give families the opportunity to explore and learn new tools and techniques and ways of building a strong relationship.

Topics covered are.

- How to identify what your family values are and what changes you might want to make
- Understanding the changes in children of this age and understanding your child's point of view
- How to really listen to your child's feelings
- Strategies for communicating with you child more effectively
- How to agree on house rules using family meetings
- How to encourage positive behaviour using rewards and consequences
- How to use compliments and positive reinforcement to strengthen your relationship with your child

Organised by the CBC North and South Localities Early Help Teams:

For more information, please contact Mrs Eavis at feavis@henlowacademy.org.uk

Bedfordshire Employment and Skills Service

Central Bedfordshire

BESS Employability Workshops

Book a free on-line employability workshop for the following -

Introduction to Digital Job Searching

- Using Social Networking sites to search for job vacancies
- Improving your online profile and promoting your 'Brand'
- Understanding how to stay safe online, especially related to job seeking

Tailoring your CV

- Reviewing the basics of a CV
- Knowing how to tailor your CV to different job roles
- Understanding the structure and content of a covering letter

Interview Skills

- Knowing about the different types of interviews
- Understanding what an employer is looking for from interviewing candidates
- Knowing how to effectively prepare for an interview

Get started with a Career Change

- Identifying motivations, barriers and priorities when changing careers
- Learning about transferable skills, recognising and believing in skills and qualities
- Using a range of tools to consider possible career options

Contact us to book or to speak to a Career Advisor: https://tinyurl.com/NCScontactus NCS@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk 0300 300 6190 Central Bedfordshire Council XO. and Bedford Borough Council **Apprenticeships** Education & Skills matrix working together **Funding Agency** HONESTY -ENTHUSIASM -NURTURE -LOVE - ORIGINALITY - WISDOM

Understanding Behaviour All Dimension That Challenges

Challenging behaviour can be complicated and there are many reasons as to why individuals react in different ways. Unless you understand the function of that behaviour, you will be unable to put support and strategies in place for that individual. Would you like to know more? Come and be a behaviour detective with us today

> GAIN A NCFE LEVEL 2 QUALIFICATION THROUGH INTERACTIVE WEBINARS

Suitable for professionals, parents and carers CONTACTUSTODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION INFONEW® ALLIDIMENSION.CO.UK 02083080280

Courses are FREE* for Central Bedfordshire and Bedford borough residents 'subject to eligibility



Central Bedfordshire Council and Bedford Borough Council working together









UNDERSTANDING AUTISM

Could you make a difference if you had a better understanding of autism? This course will give you an in depth knowledge as well as practical tools that work and are easy to use at school, home, work and out in the community.

GAIN A NCFE CACHE LEVEL 2 QUALIFICATION THROUGH INTERACTIVE WEBINARS ONLINE

Suitable for professionals, parents and work places that would like to be more inclusive

Contact us for more information infonew@alldimension.co.uk 020 8308 0280

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As a parent of a child with autism

and a professional working with

SEN children I found this course

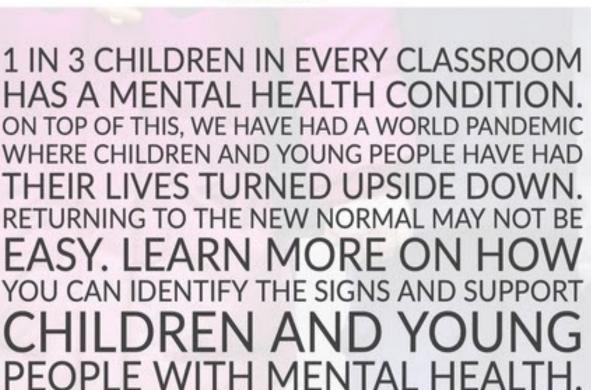
extremely useful! I feel stronger

and have more tools to deal with

day to day life.

HONESTY - ENTHUSIASM - NURTURE - LOVE - ORIGINALITY - WISDOM

Education & Skills Funding Agency Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health



Suitable for professionals, parents that would like to gain more knowledge. GAIN A NCFE CACHE LEVEL 2 QUALIFICATION THROUGH INTERACTIVE WEBINARS ONLINE

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My child has received a neurodiversity diagnosis (e.g. Autism or ADHD)

> Where can I find help and information?

The **DIAGNOSIS SUPPORT PACK** is an online 'one-stop shop' for information, resources and signposting for families.

- Introduction
- Positives of Neuro-diversities
- Holitic Approach
- What to expect at your appointment

DIAGNOSIS SUPPORT

- Sleep
- Medication
- Talking about a diagnosis

- Sensory Processing Needs
- Mental Health
- Supporting Social Communication Development
- Best Practice Guide for Professionals
- Contact Information and Resources
- Jargon Buster
- Printable resources and links



www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/dsp

This pack has been co-produced with the help of parents, young people, local Parent Carer Forums, CAMHS, Education Psychology and other key partners.





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Children's Community Health

Your one stop contact point

Open 9am-5pm every weekday (excluding BH) ccs.bedsandlutonchildrenshealthhub@nhs.net

NHS

New contact number and email address for the Beds and Luton 0-19 services, including:

- Health Visiting
- School Nursing

New contact number for:

- Luton Community Paediatric services (Edwin Lobo Centre)
- Beds and Luton Looked after Children's services

Health HUB - a single contact point, making it easier for you to get in touch with us.

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A webinar series exploring all that our new resource has to offer to support young people with disordered eating and body image

NHS Building a positive relationship with food and your body

www.bebodypositive.org.uk

Come along to this FREE webinar to hear from the team who helped to create <u>www.bebodypositive.org.uk</u>

With eating disorder referrals on the rise among young people in the UK, it is crucial we provide early support to those who have concerns with eating and their bodies.

In this session we will cover:

- the importance of early intervention and spotting signs of disordered eating

- how Be Body Positive can be used as a resource by parents and carers

- Q&A for any queries about how and why we created this new resource

Speakers:

Sabrina Iqbal, Be Body Positive Ambassador and Parent

What is Be Body Positive

Be Body Positive offers psychoeducational and self-guided resources on normal eating, body image and disordered eating vs eating disorders to young people, parents, carers and health professionals.

Created in partnership with <u>ELFT</u>, <u>NELFT</u>, <u>Barnardo's</u> and <u>ELBA</u> and co-produced with young people, parents, carers and clinicians.

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Tuesday 30th May - Friday 2nd June (4 days)

Additional information: *Save more when you book the full week this Whitsun holiday. Note that this is an offline promotion, to make this booking, please contact us at 01296 620097 or email office-11@premier-education.com

Smash it out of the park during the school holidays with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before – from archery to fencing, dodgeball to cricket.

Book now for a half-term full of fun! Booking for ages 5 - 8>> Booking for ages 8 - 12>>



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*Ts&Cs apply, Code expires 17th May.

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A packed lunch Plenty of water Suitable clothing Loads of energy!



Central Bedfordshire Family Information Directory

What's on in Bedfordshire

<u>https://cbc.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/</u> <u>synergyfis/Activities.aspx</u>