

Training

We have an annual training programme which provides training for; Parents and Carers (Pre-school), Lunchtime Assistants, Classroom support staff, and Teachers.

We also provide tailored training to meet the needs of individual School Inset, other agencies and organisations.

For more information on our training please contact the office.

Coventry Autism Support Service

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How can you contact us ?

You can contact us at:

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Church Lane
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Warwickshire CV7 8AZ

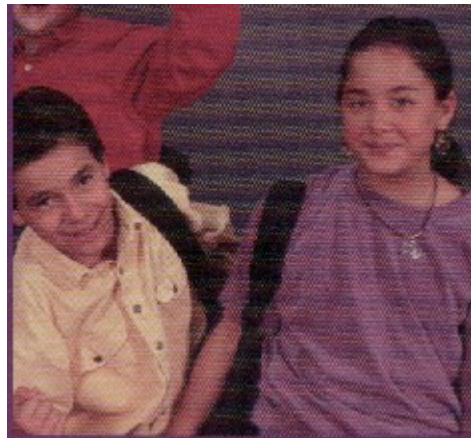


Or, you can telephone us on : 01676 541249

Or, you can fax us on : 01676 549116

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Who are we?

We are a team of specialist teachers and teaching assistants who provide educational advice and support for children and young people diagnosed as having an Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) from diagnosis until the end of school aged 16. We all have specialist knowledge and skills on:

- Things that may affect learning in children with ASD
- The special support that is likely to help their learning and development.



What do we do?

We work together with children, teachers, parents/carers, the Local Education Authority and other agencies to promote the development and learning of children with ASD. Our main role is to :

- Assess the child's education needs (linked to the ASD)
- Advise school on special methods, approaches and resources which will help the child.
- Where appropriate, work with the child, alongside other staff, in a nursery or school setting.
- Liaise with parents / carers.

We also:

Provide training on Autistic Spectrum Disorder to schools, parents, agencies and other organisations (for example the NAS EarlyBird course for families of pre-school children)

Keep up-to-date with research, and developments in the field of autism

Have a library, with books available for loan to parents and school staff. Which is open Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.00pm. You can also ring and reserve or check availability of books on 01676 541249



How do we do it?

Following a diagnosis of ASD a written referral is sent to us from the Health Service. We will write to parents / carers and we contact the child's nursery or school. After this we will:

- Assess your child's educational needs through observation and discussion with those who know your child well.
- Provide advice to teachers (often through a review and planning meetings) at nursery or school
- Visit the nursery or school on an agreed basis to advise and sometimes, work alongside staff
- Happily respond to any queries that parents/carers have about your child's education

We work in partnership with parents and also work closely with other services in Education, Health and Social Services

Where do we do it?

We visit a variety of settings to provide support to your child that includes:

- Homes (Pre-school children)
- Playgroups, nurseries and family centres
- Mainstream and special schools
- In units/resource bases attached to mainstream schools