Space4Autism

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Charity Nos: 1189689

WHAT'S ON GUIDE

Parents/Carers

March 2023



S4A Drop In open on Wednesdays 10am - 3pm



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Open Space

Monday - Thursdays 9am - 3pm

Open to anyone who has ASC, or, has a family member with ASC.

Professionals are welcome to attend also.

Café - Open Monday - Thursday 8am - 3pm, sit in from 9am (open to the public)

Space4Autism Drop-In Sessions (staff will be available to talk **)** — Monday – Thursday days 9am - 3pm

1:1 Advice and Support Appointments — booking essential, for information and bookings please email outreach@space4autism.org

Fried-av Breakfast — Friday mornings 9:30 - 11:00am

CEIAS - Cheshire East Information and Advice Service (Pre book through CEIAS directly)

CEAT – Cheshire East Autism Team, a chance to speak to someone from the team 1:1, the sessions run once a month 10am -12pm - (booking essential, please email bookings@space4autism.org)

ASC Counselling Space for Adults — booking essential, please email info@space4autism.org

SEND Advice and Support 1:1 appointments — 10am-12pm fortnightly, available in-person or online (booking essential, please email info@space4autism.org)

Carer's Hub Drop In — throughout the week. contact them directly on 01925 581 777 for more information and availability.

Crafty Carers – second and fourth Thursday's of the month during term time, 10am-12pm, minimum £1 donation for resources.

Please note that during Open Space hours children will only be able to access the Café .





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Opening Times (Monday—Thursday)

8am-9am Takeaway only 9am-3pm Eat in or Takeaway

We will be serving

8:00am-3:00pm Cakes and Drinks
12:00pm-1:30pm Hot and Cold Menu

SAMPLE MENU

Soup of the day with Freshly Baked Bread Roll $\,$ £2.75 Ham Salad Baguette $\,$ £3.00

Chicken Tikka Wrap £2.50

Cheese and Red Onion Cob with Salad & Chips £4.20

Chicken Bourguignon with Pimento Braised Rice & Broccoli Florets £8.00

Stir Fry Vegetables with Noodles £6.50

Portion of Chips £1.50

Sweet Meadow Ice-Cream as priced in our ice cream shop.

All our food is made on the premises by our Award winning Chef Bozzie and his team.

Why not join our loyalty scheme?

Collect a stamp with each transaction over £5.

Fill your loyalty card to get a free drink and cake!

Pop in and ask for your card today!



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9am-10.30am

Bacon or Sausage Sandwich £2.50

Tea Cakes with Butter £1.20

2 x slices Toast £1.00

FRIED-AY 9.30am-11am

Full Breakfast £5.50

(2 bacon, 2 sausage, 2 fried eggs, black pudding, tomato, beans, hash brown, slice of toast)

Bacon Bap/Sandwich £2.50

Bacon and Egg Bap/Sandwich £3.00

Sausage Bap/Sandwich £2.50

Sausage and Egg Bap/Sandwich £3.00

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SAA CAFE
Warm Space

In conjunction with **Cre8** we are bringing **WARM SPACE** to the local community.



You are invited to come in and keep warm from Wednesday 5th October.

Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm

Fresh hot soup will be available for £1.50.

Takeaway chilled soup will be available for £1.

It is free to attend, no booking necessary.

Our full café menu will also be available as usual.

Please note our Sensory room and Garden area will not be available to non-members.



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Outreach Project

Revive and Strive

Our Outreach Project is for members who have an Autism related problem and need support but don't know where to start.

We can help you to understand problems and refer/signpost you to the appropriate support.

This can either be a one-off appointment, or, up to a maximum of 6-weeks of support.

Please be aware we offer a "light-touch" approach, if you need significantly more help we will signpost you to the relevant service.

Meet our Outreach Team







Jane



Simon

If you feel you would like some additional support please email <u>outreach@space4autism.org</u>









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Online Counselling Course

Our online Counselling Course has been compiled and written by Jodie Wozencroft-Reay, our in-house psychotherapist who specialises in working with Autistic people.

This course contains 7 modules.

In each module there are information sheets, worksheets and videos. There are also online resources linked, and, recommended reading at the end of each module.

This is a self-directed course, that means you can do it at a pace that suits you.





In order to access this course you must be a resident in Cheshire East, over the age of 18 and registered with Space4Autism.

Please email outreach@space4autism.org to register your interest.

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Please note SUSO will be joining us from March



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Space4Carers

ASC Coffee, Cake, Chat and Learn Club

Are you a carer of a child, young person or adult with ASC?

Would you like to join other carers in the same boat?

If so then come and join our new ASC Coffee, Cake, Chat and Learn Club

3rd Tuesday of the month during term time 10-12noon

Free refreshment and cake provided

There will be a therapist attending to offer complimentary 20 minute treatments, attendees can access one of the following treatments quarterly:

- Manicure
- Pedicure
- Facial
- Refresher facial
- Scalp massage

These treatments will need to be booked in advance, email info@space4autism.org for information, availability and bookings.

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As well as being able to speak to the Space4Autism Outreach Team, please see below examples of who are often in attendance:

Manchester Occupational Therapy Services Limited - a representative

from Manchester OT will be available to share information on their services and workshops. HUB Carers' HUB Carers Hub - whether you are a child, parent, family member or

friend, you could be entitled to emotional, practical and financial support through our service.



Disability Information Bureau - who can help with:

Information & Advice

Welfare Benefit Advice which includes support filing in forms and budgeting IT Centre which covers community sessions and accredited training relating to basic keyboard skills, internet & spreadsheet



Employment Support Services - New Leaf Contract until April 2023 DROP (1) Shopmobility Services (hiring of mobility & electric or manual wheelchairs)

Just Drop In - They provide free and friendly services for children and young people in Macclesfield and surrounding areas. They do all that we can to provide support to those who need a bit of help in finding their feet or who are struggling with their emotional health and wellbeing. Their activities range from practical support, such as help in applying for jobs or making benefits applications, to safe spaces to make new friends.

Parent Carer Forum - Cheshire East Parent Carer Forum is led by parents for parents and education. The aim of the Forum is to enable parents and commissioners focus their efforts on effective, high quality support. They also aim to signpost parents to advice and information, to help them through their journey as carers of a disabled child or young person. You may prefer to attend face to face support groups, coffee mornings or you may find on-line forums helpful.

Cheshire East

Local Area Coordinator - Your Local Area Coordinators work with social workers, can help you get out and about in your community, with working/volunteering, with your home, with money, with making new friends in the community and much more.



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SEND Advice and Support

Smart Bright Training and Consultancy are an organisation that deliver SEND and Sensory training workshops and individual sessions. They offer information, advice and signposting for parents and carers or other family members.

Sometimes, people feel overwhelmed and are not sure what it is that they need help with, this is something that they can support you with and aid you to work out next steps you would like to consider.

Space4Autism is delighted to be able to offer 1:1 consultations in partnership with Smart Bright Training for those families that would like information and explanation of education, health or care support and processes, perhaps signposting for services for their child or themselves, planning for meetings, advice on educational plans such as SEN Support or EHCPs, early years support and more!



To book your appointment please email bookings@space4autism.org

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Smart Bright for Adults

Are you an Adult with ASC or a Parent/Carer?

Come and chat with Karen!

Karen from Smart Bright Training and Consultancy will be running a drop in at Space4Autsim and can offer support and advice.

10:30am-2:00pm



19th January 2nd February 16th February 2nd March 16th March 30th March



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Autism Training Programme for Parent/Carers



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Crafty Carers

Come and join our new crafty carers group!

Crafty carers will be meeting up between 10am and 12pm, on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of month during term time

We will be trying our hand at all sorts of crafts such as card making, crocheting and needle felting.

Minimum donation £1 for resources.



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Planning Ahead Workshop

Joseph from Money Box Wills & Trusts will be holding a workshop to educate parents/carers of vulnerable people about ways to protect themselves and their loved ones after they are gone.

The workshop will take place on 22nd March 2023

10am-11:30am Or 7pm-8:30pm

Email bookings@space4autism.org to book.

"We found the workshop very interesting and useful. Joe delivered the information really clearly and we felt very comfortable asking questions."

"What an insightful workshop! We left feeling very informed with a lot to think about before our appointment with Joe. Thank you Joe and Space4Autism!"

Protecting tomorrow today



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Fundraisers and Events





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Macclesfield Rotary Sponsored Swimathon

Space4Autism are looking at putting a few teams together of all ages to take part in the Macclesfield Rotary Sponsored Swimathon.

Could you be part of the S4A team?

Can you swim at least one length?

Then we need you!

Taking place at Macclesfield Leisure Centre
Sunday 5th March 2023
From 1pm

If you would like to take part then please email info@space4autism.org

Sponsorship donations you raise will be split 50/50 with Space4Autism and Macclesfield Rotary



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Autism Training Programme for Parent/Carers



Space4Autism Autism Training Programme

Do you live in Eastern Cheshire? Is your child or young person either waiting for, or has already received, a diagnosis of Autism?

NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning group (CCG) has recently commissioned Space4Autism to coordinate and arrange an Autism Training Programme, covering some of the key issues identified by people living with Autism and their parents/families.

All the courses will be delivered by trained professionals, including Speech and Language Therapists, Specialist Nurses, Therapists, Sleep Practitioners and our own in-house staff team.



Cygnet

The Barnardo's Cygnet 6 week programme is widely recognised as an award winning parenting support programme. It is now available to parent/carers of children aged 5-18 years who have been diagnosed with Autism.

6 sessions delivered over 6 weeks for 2 hours per week.

Puberty, Sexual Wellbeing and Relationships (PSR)

This is an additional 6 sessions available to parent/carers of children aged 11-18 years upon completion of the Cygnet Course.

6 sessions delivered over 6 weeks for 2 hours per week.

Parent/Carer Autism Skills Programme for parent/carers of school aged children 4yrs+

- What it's really like living with Autism delivered by Ben Simpson (adult on the spectrum)
- Communication
- Sensory
- Food
- Anxiety
- Promoting positive behaviour

7 sessions delivered over 6 weeks for 2 hours per week.

Promoting Positive Behaviour for parent/carers of school aged children 4yrs+

Offers parent/carers a better insight into sensory issues and behaviour, and how small changes can make a huge difference to your child/young person.

3 sessions delivered over 3 weeks for 2 hours per week.

Promoting Good Sleep delivered by Nickie Sutton from Peak Sleep for parent/carers of school aged children 4yrs+

Improve your knowledge and understanding of techniques that can help your child/young person sleep.

2 sessions for 2hrs then an individual session 1hr 1:1, delivered over 3 weeks.

Anxiety Skills Programme for parent/carers of school aged children 4yrs+

An intensive approach aimed to support parent/carers to manage their own and their child/young person's anxieties related to Autism.

6 sessions delivered over 6 weeks for 2 hours per week.

0-4's Parent Course

This course has been specifically written for parent/carers of children 0-4 who have a diagnosis.

- Introduction to Autism
- Behaviour and Emotions
- Play and Learning
- Sensory, Food and Toileting
- Meet the Team
- Informal lunch and get to know each other better

6 sessions delivered over 6 weeks for 2 hours per week.

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Focus on Food for parent/carers of school aged children 4vrs+

This course is looking at issues with food relating to Autism. Building up a picture of your child's development and how making small changes can make a difference.

3 sessions delivered over 2 weeks for 2hrs per week.

Occupational Therapy Individual Sensory Workshops for parent/carers of any child or young person upto the age of 18yrs

These courses have been written and will be delivered by Manchester Occupational Therapy Services Ltd. They are for parent/carers of children/young people ages 0-18yrs (either diagnosed or on the pathway) they will be delivered via zoom and they will all take place in the evening.

Workshops available are:-

Self-Care Skills - Explore the areas that relate to the daily self-care skills for toothbrushing, hair washing, hair cutting, nal cutting, bathing / showering and hand washing. • Explore sensory behaviours that may make these areas more difficult to achieve. • Explore strategies to help increase levels of independence within the areas including using sensory strategies and madical advice.

Dressing Skills - Explore the areas that relate to dressing skills including the motor skills that are needed to achieve dressing activities. • Explore sensory behaviours that make increasing independence in these areas more difficult to achieve. • Explore strategies to help increase levels of independence within the areas including using sensory strategies and practical advice.

Toileting Skills - Explore the areas that relate to toileting skills including clothes management and toilet hygiene. • Explore sensory behaviours that make increasing independence in these areas more difficult to achieve. • Explore strategies to help increase levels of independence within this area including using sensory strategies and practical advice.

Eating and Drinking Skills - Explore the areas that relate to eating, drinking including using cutlery and exploring motor skills that are needed for eating and drinking skills. • Explore sensory based feeding difficulties. • Explore developing use of cutlery, and alternative cups and dishes alongside practical strategies.

Daily routines and Schedules - Explore the areas that relate to daily routines and how visuals can be beneficial.

• Explore sensory behaviours that may make daily routines difficult to achieve.

Sensory Behaviour - Explore the sensory systems for tactile, vestibular and proprioceptive processing. • Explore sensory behaviours that maybe observed and how sensory strategies can be used to help manage over or under responsiveness within each sensory system.

Note: The above Occupational Therapy sessions are standalone, you do not need to book them all. Each session is 1.5 hours

To book on any of the above courses please email

training@space4autism.org or telephone 01625 617884 Space4Autism is a registered charity.
We deliver over 2,000 activities every year to benefit children, young people and adults living with Autism and their parents and families.





Some of the things we offer:

- Drop In Mon-Thurs 10-3pm
- Practical help and advice
- Social skills groups for children/young people
- An adult social group
- Cooking and nutrition classes
- Art therapy
- Sleep Workshops
- Fun Days for the whole family
- Afterschool Clubs
- School Holiday clubs
- Appointments with local professionals and specialists for advice, including Occupational Therapy, Cheshire East Autism Team (CEAT) and Cheshire East Information and Advice
- And much...much...much more!

Please visit our website for further details...

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