



**Special Educational
Needs & Disability (SEND)**

Information, Advice
and Support Service
for children, young people and parents

Hello,

We hope you are well. Thanks to all those that attended our Emotionally Related School Avoidance session - we hope you found it useful. This month we are running an information session as part of the Parents' Share programme on Educational Healthcare Needs Assessment - signup details below.

Here is a round up of information and events happening this month.

If you have used our service this academic year we would really appreciate if you could take 2 minutes to fill in our feedback form: <https://rbwmtogether.rbwm.gov.uk/ias-evaluation>

With best wishes,
Jean, Chris Donna & Millie

Parents' Share sessions



EHC Needs Assessments explained with the IAS team

Thursday 30th March

0930-1130

@Friends House, 14 West Street, Maidenhead SL6

Free ticket: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/474027889177>



EHCP session – What happens



Coffee

when I have a plan - with Kelly
Nash, Area SENCo

Thursday 20th April
0930-1130

@Friends House, 14 West Street,
Maidenhead SL6

Free ticket:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/474029714637>

Thursday 18th May

Coffee morning – drop in
0930-1130
@Friend's House , 14 West Street,
Maidenhead SL6

Maidenhead



Thursday 15th June

The Autism Group - informal
session with TAG to hear about the
work they do, how they can help
and their new initiative TAG Tots.

0930-1130

free ticket:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/474032021537>



Thursday 13th July
Coffee morning – drop in
0930-1130

@Friend's House, 14 West Street,
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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

Easter, Summer Christmas

FOR CHILDREN WITH ACCESS TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS



**The Royal Borough of
Windsor and Maidenhead**

E: HAF@achievingforchildren.org.uk
Funded by the Department for Education

Please see below for our FUEL camps. Full information on each camp, including times, can be found at our webpage ([click here](#)). The process for bookings can also be found on the website.

To gain access to the booking links and codes for each provider please complete the [FUEL Interest Form](#)

KEY:
 1-4 = Level of SEND support provided (4=high)
 = Wheelchair accessible

Extended Eligibility Criteria for access to FUEL (4-16yrs):

- Accessing Pupil Premium
- Child in Care
- Young Refugees
- Child being supported by Early Help or Social Care
- Children with an EHC (education, health and care) plan
- Young Carer

CLUBS / CAMPS AVAILABLE

Maidenhead Area

Multi Sports

- Sports4Kids 2 
- USports 2 
- Magpies In The Community 1
- Premier Sports 1 
- Playsport 2 
- BA Sports 1 
- SCL Active 2 

Football

- Magpies In The Community 1

Dance

- Sanders Street 1 

Outdoor Play

- Muddy Me 1 

SEND (attending with parents)

- Family Hub SEN 2 

12-16yrs Trip

- Family Hub 1 (minibus pick up)

Ascot Area

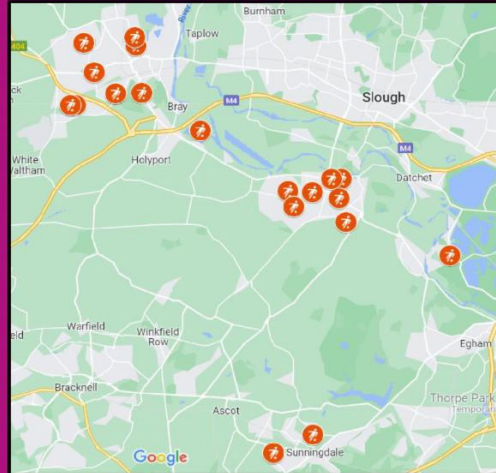
Multi Sports

- BA Sports 1 
- Mapies In The Community 1

Wraysbury

Multi Sports

- PSD 1 



Windsor Area

Multi Sports

- Sports4Kids 2 
- USports 2 
- Playsport 2 

Football

- Mapies In The Community 1

Dance

- 4 Motion 1

Arts, Crafts and Games

- Creation Station 2 

12-16yrs Trips

- Family Hub 1

If your child has SEND needs and you have identified a club for them that is not on the list, please contact us as we may be able to work with the club to provide your child's space as part of the FUEL programme.

Webinars & Events

SEND Review Update
 with Disabled Children's Partnership and SEND Action
 DOWN'S SYNDROME ASSOCIATION

SEND REVIEW UPDATE WITH THE DISABLED CHILDREN'S PARTNERSHIP AND SEND ACTION

16 March 2023 | 7 – 8pm | Free
 Join the DSA and special guests Stephen Kingdom (Campaign Manager – the Disabled Children's Partnership) and Gillian Doherty (founder of parents campaign group SEND Action) to discuss the implications of the recently released SEND Review Improvement Plan.

- What does it mean for children with

[Book](#)

- Down's syndrome and their families?
- What will be changing in SEND systems and processes, and when?
- What are the implications on the Down Syndrome Act guidance?



Understanding Tourette's Syndrome

Date: Wednesday 8th March

Time: 10 am - 11 am

During this webinar, Lisa will cover topics such as -

- An overview of Tourette's Syndrome.
- What can be classed as a 'tick' and some possible triggers.
- Diagnostic criteria for Tourette's Syndrome.
- Advice and practical strategies for supporting your child with Tourette's.

Even if you can't make it on the day of the webinar, you can still register and a recording of the session will be emailed to you after the webinar has taken place.

[Book](#)



ADHD: Developing Executive Functioning Skills

Date: Tuesday 14th March

Time: 10am - 11am

During this webinar, Colin will cover topics such as -

- What are executive functions?
- How to help your child to set goals, prioritise and prepare for activities.
- Strategies to support your child's executive functions.
- Advice on anxiety and building resilience.

Even if you can't make it on the day of the webinar, you can still register, and a recording of the session will be emailed to you after the webinar has taken place.

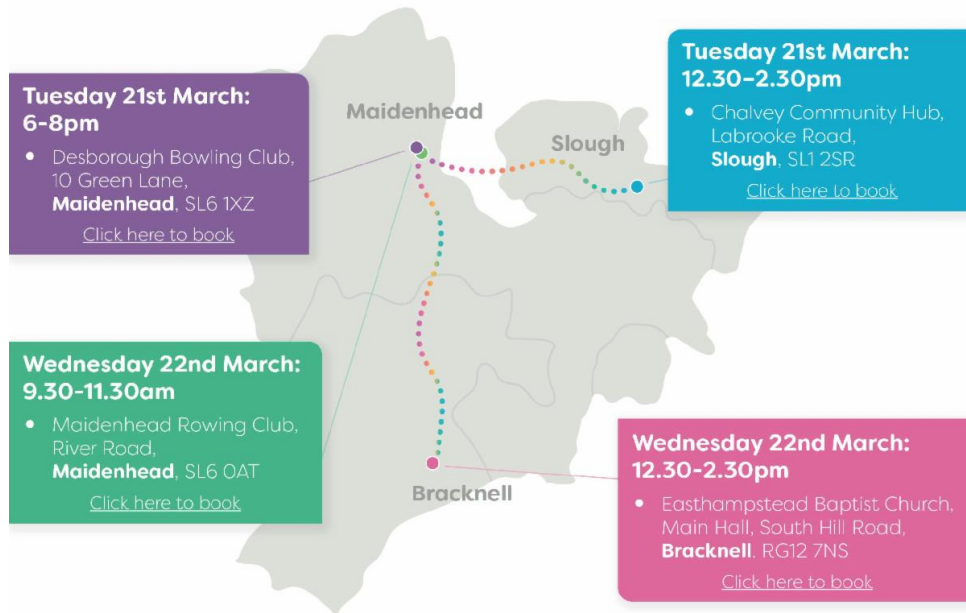
[Book](#)



Join us as we come together to:

- improve our understanding of neurodiversity
- explore how we can best support neurodivergent children and young people
- shape the future direction of the network

Neurodiversity Roadshows



The roadshow events are for anyone aged 18+ with an interest in neurodiversity and in helping children and young people, including: parents/grandparents/ carers, people with lived experience, professionals and volunteers



Slough : [East Berkshire Neurodiversity Network - Neurodiversity Roadshow \(Slough\) Tickets, Tue 21 Mar 2023 at 12:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Bracknell: [East Berkshire Neurodiversity Network - Roadshow \(Bracknell Forest \) Tickets, Wed 22 Mar 2023 at 12:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Maidenhead day: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/east-berkshire-neurodiversity-network-neurodiversity-roadshow-maidenhead-tickets-559005760277>

Maidenhead evening: [East Berkshire Neurodiversity Roadshow - Maidenhead PM Tickets, Tue 21 Mar 2023 at 18:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Learn More...



Access to our 'Learn More' animations

Covering a range of topics, our 'learn more' animations can be viewed at your own leisure and frequency once you have requested your link.












Please contact the GEMS Team on **01753 373244** or at **gems.4health@nhs.net** to obtain your link for any of the following topics

- **What Is Autism?**
- **Autism & Communication**
- **Autism & Sensory Difficulties**
- **Autism & Anxiety**
- **Autism & Navigating Services**
- **Autism & Practical Budgeting Skills**
- **What is ADHD?**
- **Managing ADHD**
- **ADHD: From Diagnosis to Management**



To book on to any of the below sessions, please contact GEMS: 0800 999 1342 or gems.4health@nhs.net

What's coming up... April, May & June 2023

-  **Girls & Autism - Slough**
Thursday 20th April @ 10am - 12pm
-  **Autism & Food- Virtual**
Wednesday 26th April @ 6.30pm - 8pm
-  **ADHD Course - Virtual**
Tuesday 09th, 16th & 23rd May @ 7 - 8.30pm all 3 sessions to be attended
-  **Over 5s Autism Course - Virtual**
Wednesday 10th, 17th & 24th May @ 7 - 9pm all 3 sessions to be attended
-  **Managing Anxiety - Virtual**
Thursday 11th May @ 6.30pm - 8pm
-  **Sleep - Autism & ADHD - Virtual**
Thursday 11th May @ 7 - 9pm
-  **Sensory Processing - Virtual**
Thursday 25th May @ 7 - 8.30pm
-  **Supporting Siblings - Bracknell**
Thursday 25th May @ 10am - 12pm
-  **Under 5's Autism Course - Virtual**
Wednesday 7th, 14th & 21st June @ 7 - 8.30pm all 3 sessions to be attended
-  **Managing Anxiety - Bracknell**
Thursday 13th June @ 10am - 12pm
-  **Adolescence - Maidenhead**
Thursday 15th June @ 10am - 12pm

Open Day at College for Visually Impaired Young People -RNC Open Day Friday 24 March 2023 | 10am to 4pm

For prospective students and families who have a young person with a visual impairment.

An informative day where you can meet current students and staff, discuss funding, careers and transitions, explore the residential areas and find out about our campus' academic and vocational programmes.

Read More & Book Here: <https://www.rnc.ac.uk/event-item.aspx?id=73>

Reachout ASC have got some very helpful resources - two of which are shared below. You can find out more via their website: [Autism Support Specialists Lancashire - Reachout ASC](http://www.reachoutasc.co.uk)

Primary to Secondary workbook

Social Story : When I feel angry



Get your voice heard

The independent voice of families representing their experiences to improve lives

What do we do?

We give a voice to families who, like ours, have a child or young person with SEND (Special Educational Needs or Disabilities). We work in partnership with the local authority and decision makers to ensure that these views and experiences are heard and understood. Our aim is to improve the lives of all our children and young people with SEND.

How do we do this?

By listening to our members and ensuring our membership is diverse. We do this through:

- Events
- Training Courses
- Consultations and surveys
- Information sharing

Join us, become a member

All **parents and carers** of children and young people (aged 0-25 years) with any SEND, living or accessing services in the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, are welcome.

Professionals and practitioners who work with children and young people with SEND such as SENCOs, teachers and therapists are welcome to become associate members.

Membership is FREE

To become a member or for more info, email us at info@svrbwm.org.uk

Together we can improve lives