



**Special Educational
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Hello!

We hope that the first half term has gone well. We have been very busy this term with two Parents' Share coffee mornings - we are pleased to be able to share the full programme for the academic year with some interesting topics.

We've included a round up of events that are taking place and information from the

We hope half term goes well and we will be back in the office on 31st October.

With best wishes,

Jean, Chris Donna & Millie

Parents' Share Programme for 2022/23



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Parent's Share Programme of Events 2022 / 2023

Date & Time	Event	Venue
Thursday 17 th Nov	Helping your child navigate the holidays Coffee Morning	Friends' House Maidenhead
Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Coffee Morning – drop in session	Friends' House Maidenhead
Thursday 19 th January	Emotional related School Avoidance (ERSA) and Anxiety Session with Magen Redmond & Hannah Forde (Ed Psych team)	Friends' House Maidenhead
Thursday 23 rd February	Coffee morning – drop in	Friend's House Maidenhead
Thursday 16 th March	EHC Needs Assessments explained with the IAS team	Friend's House Maidenhead
Thursday 20 th April	EHCP session – What happens when I have a plan - with Kelly Nash, Area SENCo	Friend's House Maidenhead
Thursday 18 th May	Coffee morning – drop in	Friend's House Maidenhead
Thursday 15 th 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.	Friend's House Maidenhead
Thursday 13 th July	Summer Coffee morning	Friend's House Maidenhead

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Website: www.ias-rbwm.info



The Family Hub Community Club

Providing free information and advice for RBWM families delivered in an informal and friendly way by Family Hub Service staff and local organisations.



Children's Activities & Refreshments

Information and Advice

Cost of Living – Benefits and Employment – Parenting – Youth Support



Friday 4th November 9.30am – 11.30am

Windsor Family Hub, 65 Alma Road, SL4 3HD

Wednesday 2nd November 9.30am – 11.30am

Riverside Family Hub, West Dean, SL6 7JB



E: familyhubs@achievingforchildren.org.uk



Anti-Bullying Alliance: Anti-Bullying Week 2022

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is taking place from Monday 14th to Friday 18th November with the theme of 'Reach Out'. The Anti-Bullying Alliance (ABA) have A resource for parents and carers to help them in having conversations with their children about bullying.

National Insurance credit for grandparents

If you have a child under 12 and they are looked after by grandparents whilst the parents are working, they may be eligible for adult credits.

These are national insurance credit top-ups which can be added to fill gaps in contributions records. They can be backdated to 2011.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Stay and Play with TAG!



An informal support group for parents of autistic children up to 7 years. Facilitated by trained TAG staff and volunteers.

- **When:** Meets on the last Friday of the month, 10.00—11.30 am during term time.
- **Where:** Larchfield Children's Centre, Bargeman Rd, Maidenhead. Toys and refreshments will be available.
- **Who:** Parents and their pre-school autistic children and/or pre-school siblings are welcome to attend.
- **Please note:** parents are responsible for their children.
- **To book your space** - numbers are limited, please email Tricia@theautismgroup.org.uk
Or text /phone 07423 636339



Stay and Play with TAG! Parent Support Group Dates



Larchfield Children's Centre
1 Bargeman Road
Maidenhead SL6 2SG

Contact Tricia for more details and to book a place (numbers limited)
tricia@theautismgroup.org.uk

Friday 30 Sept	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
No Oct Meeting – Half Term	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 25 Nov	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
No Dec Meeting – School Hols	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 27 Jan 2023	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 24 Feb	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 31 Mar	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 28 April	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 26 May	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Fri 30 June	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
July Meeting	TBA

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Website www.theautismgroup.org.uk/
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The Autism Group (TAG) is a Service Provider to GEMS which is the East Berks Autism and ADHD Service. See website for details of workshops, home visit service and social opportunities for children and young people.

www.gems4health.com/

Tel 01753 373 244, Freephone: 0800 999 1342, Email: gems.4health@nhs.net



The Autism Group (TAG) Maidenhead Parent Support Group Dates

5 High Street
Maidenhead SL6 1JN
(Entry by door to left of Mail Boxes Etc)

Contact Dawn for more details and booking
dawn@theautismgroup.org.uk

Friday 9 Sept	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 7 Oct	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 4 Nov	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 2 Dec	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 6 Jan 2023	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 3 Feb	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 3 Mar	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 5 May	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
Friday 7 July	10.00 – 11.30 a.m.

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Our Turn to Talk

New episode of Our Turn to Talk out now!

In the latest episode of National Children's Bureau Youth-led podcast programme, Our Turn to Talk, Lauren, Louise, Grace, Lotte and Eden discuss their experiences of friendship as autistic young people.

In this episode the young people explore a variety of topics, including:

- Communicating with people who are not autistic
- The impact of over- or under-sensitivity to sensory stimuli on a daily basis
- The effects of autism masking on relationships
- How neurotypical people can make autistic people feel comfortable in their friendship.

You can listen to the episode [here](#).
The transcript is available in the episode description.

