

Autism Specialist, Teacher and Consultant

NEWSLETTER

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GENERAL NEWS

In December we said a sad goodbye to Matt Balson. Many of you will know him from his consultancy work in your school. We wish him all the best for his future in music teaching, and look forward to keeping in touch with him as he advises us on music and autism in the future. The Reachout ASC team continues with



Lynn McCann and Emma Turver and we look forward to meeting many of you throughout 2016.



EXCITING PROJECTS FOR 2016

Lynn has been busy writing two books for LDA, the first one "How to Support



Pupils with ASC in Primary School" is due to be published in April 2016, and the second, "How to Support Students with ASC in Secondary School" is due in October 2016. If any of you get 'Special Children' magazine at your school, look in January's edition for Lynn's article on 'How

to write social stories'. This article should be appearing on Reachout ASC's website soon.



REACHOUT COURSES FOR 2016 BOOK NOW, PLACES LIMITED!



Tuesday 15th March - Let's Talk Autism & Autism Behaviour Clinic

Thursday 7th April - Autism in the Early Years & Sensory Story Telling

Wednesday 4th May - How to set up a Social Skills Group & How to Write Social Stories

Friday 20th May - Parents Event (£15 including lunch)

Thursday 30th June - Let's Talk Autism & Girls on the Autistic Spectrum

All venues are in Chorley. Day courses cost is £150 for one person including lunch, £250 if booking 2 people

Please book online at our website <u>reachoutasc.com</u>

Resource update



Have recently added a lot of visual and structured support worksheets and resources suitable for ASC pupils.

www.twinkl.co.uk



Lots of free behaviour, social and emotion resources www.do2learn.com

www.autism.tasks.com for younger pups and workstation ideas

For Parents



www.special needs jungle.com/ flow-chart/



www.ipsea.org.uk/about/ services - legal support and information.

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OTHER COURSES THAT MAY INTEREST YOU

Eleanor Hick's SENCO forums are very popular and this term she and Zena Martin are putting on a course to help Teaching Assistants support their pupils well.

Course: Teaching Assistants at the Point of Interaction (and if you are a SENCO I recommend the forums that take place in the afternoons of these courses)

> Tuesday 1st March - Dunkenhalgh Hotel Wednesday 2nd March - Garstang Golf Club Wednesday 9th March - North Lakes Hotel, Penrith Tuesday 18th March - Lakeside Hotel, Newby Bridge For details email eleanor@eleanorhick.co.uk

Jenny Mosley (of Circle Time fame) is coming to Lancashire. These courses organised by Stepping Stones PRU and held at Charles Saer Primary School in Fleetwood look great.

Wednesday 6th July - Better Behaviour for Learning - Promoting Positive Relationships through Circle Time Thursday 7th July - Powerfully Positive Lunchtimes, Playtimes and Calm Dining Halls

For details email joannap@jennymosley.co.uk

Mental Health Wellbeing in Children

What happened to my lovely toddler - understand your teenagers stress levels - moods, what are they all about - where are the handbooks for being a Mum or a Dad?

If you've ever asked these questions then don't miss this chance to get some answers and to understand your child/teenagers Emotional Health, Moods and Behaviour.

> Come and hear an inspirational speaker - Dick Moore! Tuesday, 9 February 2016 - Leyland Civic Centre Monday, 14 March 2016 - Chorley Town Hall Bookings via homestartcentrallancs.org.uk/Blog/

ReachoutASC Resource update

Homework Social Story

www.reachoutasc.com/ resources/homework-socialstory

Behaviour Course Resources

www.reachoutasc.com/ resources/nut-coursesbehaviour

Blog

www.reachoutasc.com/blog for updates and additional support

Girls on the Autistic Spectrum

www.reachoutasc.com/blog/ have-you-noticed-girls-on-theautistic-spectrum

Website

www.reachoutasc.com

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