



Liverpool
Autism Outreach Service

“celebrating uniqueness”

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About us – who we are

- Our team has 35 years experience collectively of working with children and young people diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) and associated conditions, e.g. Sensory Processing Difficulties (SPD), Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)
- We are specialist teachers in the field of ASC, having worked with and supported pupils across all Key Stages, from EYFS to Year 13 and also in Further Education
- We have previously worked as members of ASC specific outreach teams in Liverpool (Abbot's Lea School) and Sefton (OSSME @ Autism Initiatives), working across the Liverpool City Region
- We have both mainstream and specialist provision teaching and education outreach experience
- Suzanne is a primary trained teacher. She has delivered professional and parent ASC specific training on a consultancy basis for the Liverpool ASD Pathway and has been a licensed National Autistic Society EarlyBird© trainer
- Elaine is secondary trained, having taught all curriculum subjects across KS1 - KS4 at Abbot's Lea Special School. She is experienced in designing sensory circuits for young people with ASC
- We hold current DBS certificates (registered with the DBS Update Service), membership of the National Autistic Society and are registered with The Liverpool Early Help Directory, The Live Well Directory and The Chest: North West Procurement Portal
- Our company's insurance meets the Liverpool City Council Risk Assessment requirements



Suzanne Stampone



Elaine Dignam

About us ~ what we do



- Our Autism Outreach Service provides specialist training and advice in all educational settings (Early Years, Primary, Secondary and Colleges) for staff and families across the Liverpool City Region, with the aim of promoting and enabling inclusion for children and young people who:
 - have a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Condition / Disorder (ASC/ASD)
 - are currently awaiting assessment following referral to the Autism Spectrum Pathway
 - experience social / communication difficulties
- We believe in a child-centred approach; working collaboratively with families, school staff and other involved agencies to ensure a cohesive and proactive service.
- Our service includes the design and presentation of bespoke training packages for:
 - whole school INSET training
 - professional conferences
 - Initial Teacher Training programmes
 - university undergraduate and postgraduate courses
 - community and corporate organisations
- We offer a range of family training and support in the form of workshops, coffee mornings, drop-in sessions and 1:1 meetings.
- Our service also provides benefit to the wider community by extending its outreach service to raise autism awareness within community and corporate organisations.

Our Vision, Mission Statement and Values



Our Vision

For all autistic people to feel understood, valued and enabled to lead the life they choose.

Our Mission Statement

To enable autistic young people to achieve their potential by providing autism specific expertise to empower and inspire schools and colleges; families; children and young people; and the wider community in the North West of England.

Our Values

- Our philosophy is to place the child at the centre of all we do.
- We believe that every young person has the right to receive an outstanding education and to reach their true potential.
- We aim to make true inclusion a reality.
- We celebrate uniqueness!

Outreach Support: suitable for schools, nurseries and colleges



- Pupil observation – initial and ongoing assessment of need
- Post observation feedback of advice and strategies to staff
- Written summary / report of recommended strategies
- Classroom staff team training
- Whole school ASC learning walk
- Modelling an ASC friendly environment
- Transition support
- EHCP (Education Health Care Plan) / EHAT (Early Health Assessment Tool) attendance and advice at review meetings
- Bespoke intervention(s)
- Sensory PE circuit teaching (1/2 term block)
- 1:1 parent / carer meeting providing advice and strategies for the home
- Post diagnostic support
- Parent / carer coffee morning / afternoon

Outreach Support (continued)



Outreach Requirements

Pupil Observations - we will require the following:

- A completed 'Pupil Information Form' including parent / carer signature (example document on p.22). Please contact us to request a pro forma document.
- Documentary evidence if a pupil has a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Condition / Disorder.

Outreach Support (continued)



OUTREACH SUPPORT	HOURS	COST
Morning session	9am - 12 noon	£150
Afternoon session	1pm - 3.30pm	£125
Full day	9am - 3.30pm	£270
Bespoke package(s)	Tailored to client's specifications: daily, weekly, termly rates	Based on requirements: contact us to discuss

Professional In-house Training

Suitable for School Staff, Teacher Training Courses, Corporate Training



Training Session Options:

- Half day training
- Full day training
- INSET Training
- Twilight Training



Training Course Options

(see pages 12-17 for course content detail)

- Understanding Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)
- Teaching and Supporting Autistic Children and Young People
- Sensory Processing Differences and ASC
- How to write Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations
- Positive Behaviour Management / Understanding Stress and Anxiety in the Classroom
- Understanding Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)

Please contact us to discuss bespoke training requirements

Professional In-house Training (continued)

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING	COST
Half day rate	£350
Full day rate	£650
Twilight	£250
Bespoke Packages	Based on requirements: please contact us to discuss

Professional In-house Training (continued)



Training Requirements

If you would like us to deliver a training course at your school or work place, we would kindly ask that the following is in place at least 30 minutes before the start of the session:

- Laptop – with username and password set up
- SMARTBoard or projector
- Speakers/audio system (to play DVD clips at appropriate volume)
- Equipment is set up and switched on
- Room layout: cabaret style
- Access to training room at least 30 minutes prior to session start time

Understanding Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- What is Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)?
- ASC theories and their impact on pupils, including sensory processing differences (SPD)
- Common difficulties faced by autistic children and young people in school
- Top tips for teaching and supporting autistic pupils

This course is ideal for those seeking an introduction to working with autistic children and young people or for anyone who would appreciate a refresher course

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- develop and/or enhance their awareness and understanding of ASC
- gain a better understanding of the needs of autistic children and young people
- manage challenging situations with increased confidence
- take away a range of ASC specific strategies to implement in their classroom

NEXT EVENT

Date:

**Monday
24th September 2018**

Time:

1-4pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£65

Refreshments included

Max. 25 delegates

Early booking advised

Teaching and Supporting Autistic Children and Young People

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- Daily challenges experienced by ASC pupils in school
- What makes an ASC inclusive environment?
- Effective communication strategies and visual interventions
- Teaching techniques to maximise learning and to develop independence

This is an ideal follow on course from our "Understanding ASC" training

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- apply best practice frameworks for understanding the needs of learners with ASC (as endorsed by the National Autistic Society), e.g. TEACCH®
- create an ASC friendly learning and social environment
- use age and level appropriate communication strategies
- apply structured teaching techniques to plan and deliver lessons

NEXT EVENT

Date:

**Monday
1st October 2018**

Time:

1-4pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£65

Refreshments included

Max. 25 delegates
Early booking advised

Sensory Processing Differences (SPD) and Autism

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- How SPD links with Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)
- Everyday sensory sensitivities experienced by children and young people
- The impact of SPD on behaviour and communication
- Adapting the environment to support individual pupils' sensory needs
- Effective sensory strategies

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- understand the range of sensory processing differences for children with ASC
- modify a pupil's environment to support their sensory needs in different settings
- create a sensory profile for a young person experiencing sensory processing difficulties
- implement individualised strategies to enhance pupils' participation

NEXT EVENT

Date:

Wednesday
17th October 2018

Time:

1-4 pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£65

Refreshments included

Max. 25 delegates
Early booking advised

Understanding Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- The distinctive features of PDA and where it sits on the autism spectrum
- How PDA impacts on a young person
- Key principles of positive behaviour management when working with young people with PDA
- Effective interventions and strategies

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- understand the needs of young people with a demand avoidant profile
- adapt the environment to reduce the sensory and emotional demands on a pupil with PDA
- apply an effective teaching style and approach to support pupils with PDA
- use supportive strategies and visual interventions

NEXT EVENT

Date:

Tuesday

13th November 2018

Time:

1-4pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£65

Refreshments included

Max. 25 delegates

Early booking advised

Positive Behaviour Management / Understanding Stress and Anxiety in the Classroom

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- How ASC impacts on learners
- Understanding the root causes and triggers behind distressed and challenging behaviours
- How to recognise the signs in autistic students
- Top tips for managing behaviours proactively and positively for autistic pupils
- Calming strategies and how to use them effectively

*We would recommend that delegates have an awareness of ASC prior to attending this course
(see "Understanding ASC" course)*

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- identify underlying reasons for behaviour using best practice tools e.g. Iceberg and STAR
- apply a range of proactive strategies to promote positive behaviour
- apply positive techniques to manage challenging situations with increased confidence
- support pupils through stressful situations

***THIS IS A 2 PART COURSE**

NEXT EVENT

Date:

Monday

26th November 2018

***(part #1)**

&

Monday

3rd December 2018

***(part#2)**

Time:

1-4pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£120

Refreshments included

Social Stories™ and Comic Strip Conversations

Delegates are encouraged to bring questions and points for discussion relating to current situations

What to expect on the course

- Overview of ASC impairments and their impact on a young person's social skills
- Effective communication interventions to enable social and emotional understanding
- What are Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations?
- Why do autistic children and young people need them and how do they help?
- How to produce Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations

*We would recommend that delegates have an awareness of ASC prior to attending this course
(see "Understanding ASC" course)*

Course outcomes

Each delegate will learn to:

- develop a greater insight into a young person's understanding of social situations
- support a young person's social and emotional understanding of how they and others might respond in a particular situation
- create differentiated age and level appropriate social stories and comic strip conversations

NEXT EVENT

Date:

Monday

10th December 2018

Time:

9am to 3.30pm

Venue:

Palmerston School

Cost per delegate:

£120

*refreshments included
(lunch not provided)*

Max. 25 delegates

Early booking advised

Parent/Carer Workshops

Ideal for commissioning by a consortium or group of schools for a selected number of their parents



Workshops Options

- Half day workshop (am or pm session)
- 1 full day workshop (9.30 – 2.30)
- 2 full day workshops (9.30 – 2.30)*
- Comprehensive Package – 5 morning sessions*

Workshop Content

Meeting the needs of families supporting a child with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)

Our workshops are personalised to ensure that families' concerns are addressed, along with time for questions and informal discussions.

Workshop content includes training and discussion around the following topics:

- Understanding ASC including Sensory Processing Difficulties
- Understanding & managing behaviour
- Using effective communication
- Implementing visual strategies
- Exploring calming techniques
- Making personalised visual resources (* courses only)

Parent/Carer Workshops (continued)

Ideal for commissioning by a consortium or group of schools for a selected number of their parents

PARENT WORKSHOPS	HOURS	Cost per workshop/package
Morning session	9am – 11.30am	£150
Afternoon session	1pm – 3pm	£120
1 full day	9.30am – 2.30pm	£250
2 full days	9.30am – 2.30pm	£450
Comprehensive Package (5 morning sessions over 5 consecutive weeks)	9am – 11.30am	£650

COMMUNITY and CORPORATE— *bespoke training for organisations across the North West*

Welcome to the Liverpool Autism Outreach Service

Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) is a lifelong developmental disability which affects how a person communicates with, and relates to, other people and also affects how they make sense of the world around them.

There are around 700,000 autistic people in the UK. There is increasing awareness of the condition and a growing desire amongst forward thinking organisations to gain a true understanding of autism and to embrace and welcome autistic people as employees, friends and customers.

We are proud to work collaboratively in multi-agency partnership with colleagues across the city, endorsing the current campaign for Liverpool to be the first truly autism-friendly city in the UK.

Training

The **Liverpool Autism Outreach Service** offers a range of bespoke training to organisations in both public and private sectors.

Organisations will benefit from:

- gaining an awareness and understanding of ASC and associated conditions, e.g. sensory processing differences
- understanding what makes an ASC friendly environment
- knowing how to make effective adaptations and implement bespoke strategies to support autistic people

To discuss how we can help, please contact us.

Contact Us



To arrange a booking or for further information, please contact us by email or phone or by completing the online contact form.



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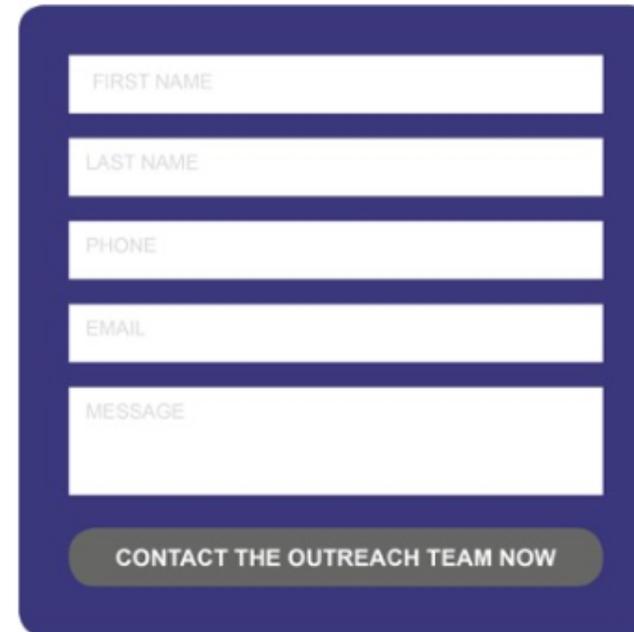
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FIRST NAME

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CONTACT THE OUTREACH TEAM NOW

Online contact form
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Pupil Information Form

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PUPIL INFORMATION FORM			
Outreach provider	Liverpool Autism Outreach Service		
School			
Consortium			
Pupil Name			
Date of birth			
Does this young person have a diagnosis of ASD, ASC, ADHD, other condition(s)?	Yes / No	If 'Yes', please specify diagnosis:	
Is this young person currently awaiting assessment on the Liverpool ASD Pathway?	Yes / No	Is there currently an EHAT in place? Yes / No	Is there currently an EHCP in place? Yes / No
Year group / Teacher	Year:	Teacher:	
School staff contact	Name:	Position e.g. SENCo:	
School staff contact email	Email address:		
School contact number	Phone number:		
Parent / Carer name			
Parent / Carer address			
Parent / Carer contact number			
Parent / Carer permission: I / We have had the reason for the referral explained to us by school staff and agree to the referral being made to the Liverpool Autism Outreach Service. I / We give permission for Liverpool Autism Outreach Service to work with my/our child. I / We understand that the school will share relevant information about my/our child with the specialist ASC outreach teacher in order to help to meet the needs of my/our child.			
Parent / Carer Name (please print):	Signature:	Date:	
School Staff Name (please print):	Signature:	Date:	

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