

TELEPHONE HELPLINE

Wednesday Mornings

9am-12 noon

01761 412198

Extension Number 2



- Operates all year round
- Member of the team always available to provide advice and support
- For Professionals
- For Families
- Child or young person must be living in B&NES with a confirmed diagnosis of Autism/ASD between the ages of 0-25 years

MEET THE TEAM



Becca

Lead for
Specialist Autism
Support Service

Specialist Teachers



Sarah

Lead -
Maternity Cover



Paul



Carol

Specialist Autism Advisors



Rebecca

Specialist OT



Hayley

Administrator



Miriam



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Here to support you

Specialist Autism
Support Service
Information for
Parents and Carers



How can we access the team?

The service is based at
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School



Once your child has been given a diagnosis of Autism, it can feel overwhelming and you may not know where to get help. Getting the right level of support for you and your child can make the world of difference.

B&NES Local Authority have commissioned an extended and enhanced Specialist Autism Support Service from September 2020.

Who the service is for:

- Children and young adults from 0 -18 with a confirmed Autism/ASD diagnosis and B&NES home address, who are attending education settings with or without an EHCP
- Autistic young adults with a B&NES home address and EHCP aged between 18 and 25 years
- Parents, carers and families of the autistic children and young adults above, alongside professionals working to support them

WHAT SUPPORT DO WE OFFER

- Advice and support with practical strategies and resources
- Earlier support for children and young people, particularly following new diagnosis and when supporting schools to put in autism strategies, making reasonable adjustments and seeking specialist advice where appropriate
- Improved access to information and resources for all families in B&NES
- Increased availability of specialist services provided by health, such as Occupational Therapy, for children and autistic young people experiencing challenges due to sensory issues and anxiety
- Specialist support for complex cases and at points of high needs, for example to prevent placement breakdown
- Collaboration with other agencies and provide sign posting where required
- Transition advice and support when requested

TRAINING FOR PARENTS

We offer training opportunities for parents and carers, including:

- Autism strategies in the home
- Understanding Girls/an alternative presentation of Autism
- Understanding Sensory Processing
- How to write Social Scripts
- Strategies for 'real life'

We also deliver the following training programmes for parents, which are delivered over a number of weeks (face to face and online):

- Barnardos Cygnet programme (Core) for parents of children aged 4 - 18
- Barnardos Cygnet programme (Siblings)
- Barnardos Cygnet programme (Sex, Relationships and Puberty)
- Barnardos Cygnet programme (Sleep)
- SPACE programme for parents of very young children

All of our training for families is detailed on the Rainbow Resource autism pages



Please visit our Parent and Carer Support Padlet for signposting to other services and resources:
<https://padlet.com/SASSBathnes/ParentSupport>