



Brookfields
Specialist SEN School

LOCAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH AUTISM

NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY

Supporting children and adults with autism and Asperger's syndrome in West Berkshire

www.westberksnas.org.uk

Helpline: 0800 800 4104

Support with speaker evenings, newsletter, befriending, local influence and lobbying as well as family activities and an Asperger and Autism pub group for adults aged 18-30.

SNACS

SNACS is a confidential counselling service for parents and carers of children with special needs who live in West Berkshire.

The service is FREE and helps people think of better ways to cope.

Referrals: 0788 162 6837

AUTISM BERKSHIRE

Berkshire Autistic Society supports families and individuals affected by autism. BAS offer assistance as to parents and carers of children who have been recently diagnosed or need urgent information on the provisions available to support you and your family.

BAS offer a post-diagnosis home visiting service, children and family activities and adult social groups.

Benefits information service to help you understand your eligibility for benefits, how to apply, complete forms and how to appeal a decision

Games clubs for children

Family Swimming

Social clubs for adults and parents and carers

Family fun days

Trampolining

Helpline: 01189 594594

www.autismberkshire.org.uk

Email: contact@autismberkshire.org.uk

AUTISM AND BEHAVIOURAL SUPPORT SERVICE – BROOKFIELDS SCHOOL

A free monthly clinic for parents to discuss behaviour issues, held at Brookfields School.

A referral will need to be made via your child's school.

Tel: 0118 9421382

Ask for Julie Richards

PARENTING SPECIAL CHILDREN

Diagnosis support, monthly workshops, sleep clinics and support for parents and carers of children with special needs.

Helpline: 01189 863532

Email: admin@parentingspecialchildren.co.uk

ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH AUTISM & SPECIAL NEEDS

EVEREST AUTISM & ADHD CLUB

Activities club run by parents of children on the autistic spectrum or with ADHD.

Based at Sherborne St John, Basingstoke

Tel: 07894 459 891

Email: p.stonehouse2@btinternet.com

CHANCE TO DANCE

SEN Dance Club

Dance classes specifically for disabled children and young adults.

Based at Southcote Youth and Community Centre from January 2017

Contact Vickie Andrews

Tel: 7736343570

Email: vickieandrews50@hotmail.co.uk

LEGO CLUB

The club is for children aged 8 to 15 years with an autism spectrum condition and meets at Woolhampton, in West Berkshire.

Contact Jo Roberts

Tel: 07907 464 440 / 01189 594 594

E-mail: jo@autismberkshire.org.uk

READING MENCAP CLUBS

A range of clubs for children aged 4 – 24 years as well as discos, mother and toddler groups, family support and siblings groups.

Tel: 0118 966 2518

Email: office@readingmencap.org.uk

SWINGS AND SMILES

Charity providing recreational facilities and services for families with special needs, based at the Phoenix Centre in Newbury:

- Purpose built soft play room
- Siblings support
- Family fun days
- After School activities
- Parent Coffee Mornings
- Over 9's play sessions
- Sensory Sunday's

Tel: 01635 285170

Email: phoenix@swingsandsmiles.co.uk

HAPPY DAYS AUTISTIC CLUB

Voluntary youth club at Mary Hare School with sessions for children aged 5-10 years and young people aged 11-15 ½ years who live in the West Berkshire area and are on the autistic spectrum to meet other families and have fun.

Contact: KiriLynn Gardner

Tel: 07740 100654

Email: k.gardner@maryhare.org.uk

THE ENGINE SHED

Opportunities for families to share and learn new strategies for promoting learning and social skills, using their love of trains as an entry point. It is also a place for families and siblings to relax and share experiences with events run throughout the year.

Train Club runs the last Saturday of the month.

Email: mail@theengineshed.org.uk

KRAZY PLAYDAYS

Indoor soft play every 2nd Monday of the month – 5.15pm to 7.30pm at Norcot Industrial Estate, Tilehurst, Reading

Tel: 01189 426171

PANG VALLEY BEAVERS AND SCOUTS

Beavers – ages 6-8

Cubs – ages 8-10 ½

Scouts – ages 10 ½ - 14

Explorers – ages 14-18

www.pangvalleyscouts.org.uk click on the link to find your nearest group

CAMP MOHAWK

A place for children and young people with special needs to enjoy multi-functional activities set in 5 acres of beautiful countryside. The camp is run by The Woodland Centre Trust based in Wargrave, Berkshire.

Tel: 0118 940 4045

Email: info@campmohawk.org.uk

TVAP – THAMES VALLEY ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND – TAPLOW

For children and adults with special needs

Based on a 2.5 acre site adjacent to the A4 in Taplow, near Maidenhead, the Playground is open to children and adults with all types of special need, however, mild or profound, their siblings and parents/carers.

Open Tuesday to Saturday all year round, Fridays are reserved for adults with special needs.

People visit with families and as individuals, or with groups from schools, play schemes, day centres and residential units.

The Playground is also used by a Youth Club and several local parents support groups.

Tel: 01628 628599 *(Unfortunately, they cannot accept bookings left on the answer machine. Please make sure you have spoken to someone before you set out).*

www.tvap.co.uk

PHAB CLUB

PHAB offers opportunities for adults and children of all abilities to enjoy life together.

They offer:

- Clubs for all ages, interests and abilities
- Amazing and exciting residential holidays
- Specially chosen accessible holiday units in Weymouth

Tel: 020 8667 9443

www.phab.org.uk