

# Courses

for Parents & Other Family Members



Brookfields  
Specialist SEN School



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Brookfields School has a strong philosophy, ethos and approach to engaging and supporting parents and other family members of children with a range of Special Needs.

Our work in this area has been recognised by being awarded the national Investors in Families Award.



The courses are led by highly skilled and experienced members of the school's team who are familiar with the issues that families are faced with. Our team of facilitators work in partnership with participants to empower them to be more able to support their child as fully as possible. The courses are fun, informative and imaginative!

We offer a range of workshops and courses over an academic year to:

- Parents of pupils attending Brookfields School
- Parents of pupils we support through the schools Specialist Inclusion Support Service
- Parents of pupils with Special Needs in our Cluster Schools



The courses that we currently offer are:

### Families Matter

This is a 6 week course run in the evenings. Many parents of children with special needs may feel isolated and unsure of what is available to them. The aim of this course is for parents to meet other parents of pupils with special needs and sensitively explore some of the issues that affect all of us in some way.

### Communication – It Takes Two

This course is run by the school's Speech and Language Therapist and members of the Communication Team and run over 5 evenings. Effective communication is fundamental for learning and the course give participants tailored skills, knowledge and understanding so that they can confidently support their child's communication.

### Understanding & Managing Behaviour

Over an 8 week period parents gain a greater understanding of behaviour and in particular, in relation to their child. A range of strategies are explored based on the identification of the purpose of the behaviour and our response to it. The newly gained strategies can be used at home to encourage appropriate and positive behaviours for all children and family members!

## Half Day Workshops

We offer half day workshops for parents on:

- The use of Signs
- The use of Symbols

## Online Courses

We know that not all parents are able to attend face to face workshops at school so we offer a wide range of online courses to parents that they are able to complete in their own time at their own pace.

*'I now know that I'm not the only parent in the world facing difficulties'*

*'The course was brilliant – I now can see light at the end of the tunnel'*

*'My child is much more relaxed now I know how to communicate with them. Thanks'*

For more information about the course we are able to offer, please contact us on 0118-9421382





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