



Understanding Autism for Parents and Carers

The SISS Autism Team are pleased to offer a workshop for parents and carers of autistic children, or for those who have been accepted onto the waiting list for an autism assessment.

The workshops use the key elements of the [Autism Education Trust](#) ***Making Sense of Autism*** training module that is delivered to all schools in Solihull, developing this knowledge and understanding to meet the needs of the family.

The workshops are delivered by experienced Specialist Advisory Teachers and Inclusion Support Practitioners from the SISS Autism Team. The team are licensed by AET to deliver the training.

The aims of the workshops are to:

- * **Introduce the current understanding of autism and the 3 areas of difference.**
- * **Develop your understanding of your child's individual profile of strengths and support needs.**
- * **Identify a range of strategies that may support your child and wider family.**
- * **Know what support is available in school and develop a shared understanding of the approaches and language to support working together with your child's school.**
- * **Signposting to wider services and offers in our local area.**

You will receive a range of practical resources for use at home following each session, plus a certificate directly from AET upon completion of the workshop.



The workshops are repeated each school term and are delivered in Family Hubs and training venues in North Solihull, Central Solihull, plus one online opportunity. You can choose the option that works best for you – all dates and venues for the whole year are available to book now. Please see below for details.

Autumn term:

South / Central – Sans Souci – 21.11.24 & 28.11.24. 9.15am – 2.45pm

North – Riverside Family Hub – 19.11.24 & 26.11.24. 9.15am – 2.45pm

Final Teams Online session – both groups – 6.12.24. 9.30am – 12pm

Spring Term

South / Central – Sans Souci - 27.2.25 & 6.3.25. 9.15am – 2.45pm

North – Riverside Family Hub – 25.2.25 & 4.3.25. 9.15am – 2.45pm

Final Teams Online session – both groups – 7.3.25. 9.30am – 12pm

Summer term

South / Central - Hatchford Brook Family Hub – 18.6.25 & 25.6.25.
9.15am – 2.45pm

North – Riverside Family Hub – 17.6.25 & 24.6.25. 9.15am – 2.45pm

Online – via Microsoft Teams – 23.5.25, 6.6.25, 13.6.25 & 20.6.25. 9am
– 12pm

Final Teams Online session – all 3 groups – 27.6.25. 9am – 12pm

If you have not previously attended a workshop with us and would like to join us, please complete the Booking Form [here](#) and we will confirm your place via email.

For any queries, please contact your school SENCo or sisstraining@solihull.gov.uk