

## Welcome to the Autumn 2 newsletter for SEND.

Click the pictures to take you to websites and videos for support.

Thank you for your patience while we iron out problems with Edukey. We recommend downloading your child's plan as they disappear once a new one is created. We will be hosting some workshops (in person and online) for parents to explain Edukey in more detail: see dates below!

### Family Voice



Thank you to the parents, carers and representatives who shared their valuable thoughts at our first event with Family Voice. They are sharing the themes with us and we're factoring this into our plans, including in the newsletter! See poster below for our next event where the focus will be communication and how this could be improved! Sign up below.

**23rd January 2.15 - 3.15**



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### Training for Staff

Parents were keen to hear more about our commitment to improving our SEND provision at Ashley and the training we access. As Speech, Language and Communication Needs are our more prevalent primary need, we have been focusing on this area this half term.

> Early Language and Communication initiative in Reception, focusing on Now/Next, Shared Attention and the use of non-verbal communication such as Makaton and ALD boards.

> LEGO Therapy: training for LSAs to run small groups focusing on listening, turn taking and social interaction.

> Social Communication & Autism: input from Surrey Speech & Language about how to be more neuro-affirming and have effective communication with pupils with ASD, for teachers and LSAs.

### Courses & Support

#### Autism Friendly Surrey

Their aim is to connect people, whilst supporting communities to be more inclusive for autistic and neurodivergent people



SURREY ADULT LEARNING

Free online parenting courses for anger, resilience, routines and lots more!



Highly regarded 'Stepping up for Autism' parenting course with other support available. Please contact SENCO for a referral.

This can lead to 1:1 sessions with parents if required.



The Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Service

### Parasports Club: Spelthorne Leisure Centre

Aimed at young people with disabilities aged 5-25 and their siblings, Spelthorne ParaSports Club provide opportunities to play a wide range of sports as well as offering sport specific coaching for those interested in developing skills. All sessions are overseen by enthusiastic volunteers although parents/guardians are encouraged to stay on side during the sessions.



# CARE CHALLENGE EXPLORE

<https://www.ashleyschool.org.uk/Our-School/Inclusion/>



# SENDSational

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## Nurturing Schools Programme

Our commitment to the Nurturing Schools Programme has been extended to include Miss Doyle (LSA) and Miss Porter (HSLW). We are working with Nurture UK to develop our provision and practice. Please find some useful resources below from **Nurture UK** and <https://beaconhouse.org.uk/resources/>.



## Christmas Preparation

Christmas can be a busy, overwhelming and difficult time for many children, particularly those with SEND. Access our resources of planners, stories and other resources to help in the holidays.

<https://tinyurl.com/4m92te5s>  
Password: **Christmas25**



## Anxiety: Parent Workshop

An evening, online workshop for parents to learn about strategies for supporting mild to moderate anxiety.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 8pm

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## Edukey Provision Map Workshops

We recognise that this new system is taking a while to get used to. Please join us for one of three workshops to ask questions and know more. TEAMS links will be shared with those who sign up prior to the meeting.

Monday 12th January 2.30 - 3.15 (Face to Face)

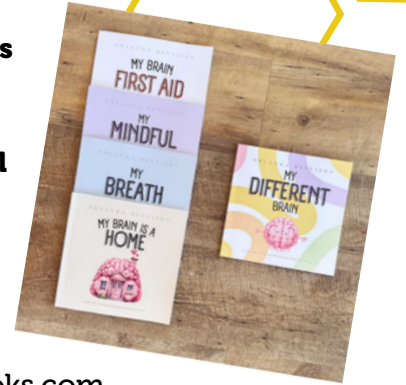
Friday 13th February 11 - 12pm (TEAMS) This will have a focus on Reviews on Edukey



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## Books about SEND

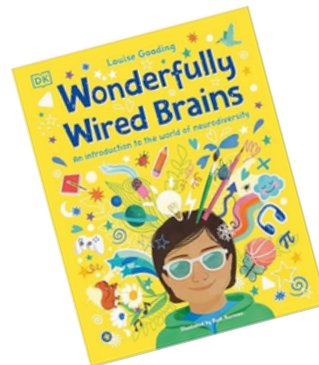
A helpful bundle of books that discuss different brains in a factual and positive light with useful strategies for home, school and life.



<https://www.mybrainbooks.com>

Check out our Amazon Wish list of books (and other items) that can be used to support a child and their family understanding their diagnosis. We regularly add to this list so let us know if you discover a useful book!

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1VNLYGQRB9P4L?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1VNLYGQRB9P4L?ref_=wl_share)



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