

Dear Friends

A very Happy New Year to you all.

We are pleased to announce that **booking is now open** for our previously announced Autism Seminar with Sarah Hendrickx on **Saturday 2 March**. We hope this may be of interest to you. There is an opportunity to attend one or both of Sarah's talks. We expect this event to be very popular, so please book early to avoid disappointment!

Autism Seminar with Sarah Hendrickx

Saturday 2 March 2019

Chandlers Ford Methodist Church, Winchester Road, SO53 2GJ
10.30am to 3.00pm

We are delighted to welcome Sarah to present two sessions:

10.30am to 12.30pm:

Women and Girls and Autism: What's the Difference

1.15pm to 3.00pm:

Social and Personal Relationships on the Autism Spectrum

Sarah has been a keynote autism speaker at national autism conferences in the UK and overseas and specialises in speaking on all aspects of autism and Asperger syndrome including relationships, women, gender differences (sometimes with her autistic partner, Keith), employment and alcohol. She has an unusually blunt and humorous speaking style which is more informal and 'says it like it is' more than many professionals. She has written six books on the subject of autism.

Tickets: £5.00* for one session – £10.00* for both sessions

For further details of each session and to book online for either or both sessions visit:

www.shantsnas.org.uk/seminar

**suggested minimum donation*

Our regular activities are now getting underway again after the Christmas break and we look forward to welcoming you to any that you can make:

Totton Support Group

Our friends in Totton meet back on **Monday 14 January** at Testwood Baptist Church, 283A Salisbury Rd, Totton, Southampton, SO40 3LZ at 7.30pm.

Adults' Social Group

Tuesday 15 January at St Patrick's Church, Portsmouth Road, Woolston, Southampton, SO19 9BD from 7.00–9.00pm, then fortnightly.

LEGO Club

Saturday 19 January at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church at 2.00pm. We hope to have some limited vacancies for this club early in the new year, so to express interest in your child joining the waiting list, complete the form at www.shantsnas.org.uk/home/lego (PLEASE NOTE: We have been advised that, unfortunately, this type of therapy is not successful with children who have an ADHD or PDA diagnosis).

Family Youth Club

Saturday 19 January at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Children accompanied by their families are welcome.

Support Group Meeting

Monday 21 January at Bishopstoke Evangelical Church at 7.30pm.

Children's Social Group

This has restarted and meets next on **Tuesday 22 January** at St Patrick's Church, Portsmouth Road, Woolston, Southampton, SO19 9BD from 6.00–8.00pm, then fortnightly.

Partners' Group

Thursday 24 January at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church, Winchester Road, SO53 2GJ, 7.30 to 9.30pm.

All details and timings of our activities can be found on our website at www.shantsnas.org.uk/Diary%20dates or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/nassouthhampshirebranch

As always, if you have any ideas for activities or events you would like us to consider, please let us know.

Regards

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