

SEND SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS

As well as the Central Bedfordshire information shared above, there are many other local and regional organisations that offer services to parents and carers of children with SEND. We often work with parents to complete referrals together asking for support and advice. Parents and carers are also welcome to access these groups directly.

Please click on the following web addresses and images:

| Autism |
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| BEDFORDSHIRE |

Autism Bedfordshire

We are an independent charity dedicated to improving the lives of autistic people and their families across Bedfordshire.

https://www.autismbedfordshire.net/

01234 350704



Carers in Bedfordshire

A support group for children who help to care for families members with a disability or illness.

https://www.carersinbeds.org.uk/

0300 111 1919



Child Development Centre - Kempston

Your child may be referred to the CDC to access a variety of services including a Speech Therapist, Paediatrician, Dietician, Behaviour Led Nurse or other professional.

https://earlyhelp.bedford.gov.uk/details.aspx?record=77774802 01234 310278



CHUMS

Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Service for children and young people

http://chums.uk.com/

01525 863924



Families United Network

FUN are a dynamic and progressive charity based in Luton who support disabled & additional needs children, young people and their families.

http://familiesunitednetwork.org.uk/ 01582 420800



The Jigsaw Centre

The Jigsaw Centre is a Central Bedfordshire Service that sits within the School Improvement Team

https://www.jigsawcentre.co.uk/about

0300 300 5735



Outside In

Support and training on ADHD and Autistic Spectrum Conditions

https://outsidein-solutions.com/

07824 634762

School Nurse - 0-19 team

Community Services NHS Trust

http://www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/bedfordshire/schoolnursing

01525 631199

SNAP Parent Carer Forum

SNAP (Special Needs Action Panel) is a pro-active, independent forum of parent carers who all have children or young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

http://www.snappcf.org.uk/

07984 545044



Speech and Language Therapy

NHS Speech and Language Therapy Service for Bedfordshire and Luton – accessed via school or GP

http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/children/sen-disability/speechlanguage-therapy/overview.aspx

01234 317002



The Avenue

The Avenue is a positive, friendly organisation that understands the highs and lows of people living with autism

https://theavenuesupport.co.uk/

07425 551110

There are also many national organisations who offer online support for families and host training and other events. Most provide resources for parents and carers to download for free or to purchase. These include:



ADHD Foundation

The ADHD Foundation works in partnership with individuals, families, doctors, teachers and other agencies to improving emotional well-being, educational attainment, behaviour and life chances through better understanding and self-management of ADHD, ASD and related learning difficulties such as dyslexia, dyspraxia, Irlen's Syndrome, dyscalculia and Tourette's Syndrome.

https://www.adhdfoundation.org.uk/

0151 2372661



Asthma UK

Asthma UK works to stop asthma attacks and, ultimately, cure asthma by funding world leading research

https://www.asthma.org.uk/ 0300 222 5800



British Dyslexia Association

Offering dyslexia information, advice and services

https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/ 0333 405 4567



Child Mind Institute

Dedicated to transforming children's lives struggling with mental health and learning disorders

https://childmind.org/ (contact via email)



Contact for families with disabled children

For every shape and size of family, whatever they need and whatever their child's disability, we're here

https://contact.org.uk/ 0808 808 3555



Epilepsy Society

We set out to make a difference to every person affected by epilepsy whatever their background, however seriously it affects them, and whether they have the condition themselves or are close to someone with epilepsy.

https://www.epilepsysociety.org.uk/01494 601411



I CAN

I CAN's mission is that no child should be left out or left behind because of a difficulty speaking or understanding

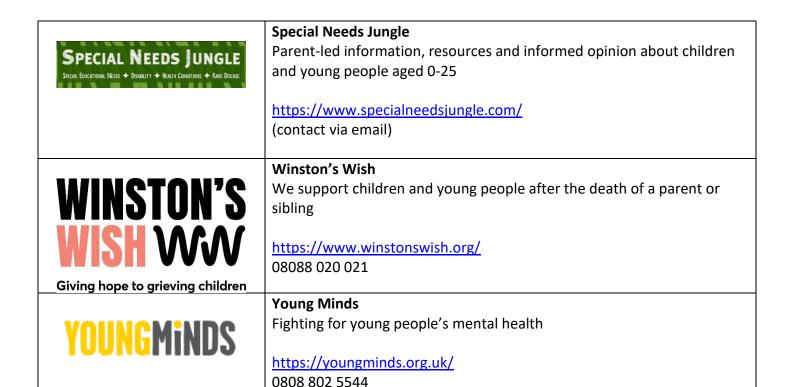
https://www.ican.org.uk/ 020 7843 2510



National Autistic Society

We are the UK's largest provider of specialist autism services. Our trained staff and volunteers bring passion and expertise to the lives of 100,000 autistic people every year.

https://www.autism.org.uk/ 0808 800 4104



If you use, and would like to recommend, any other local organisations we would be happy to share their details for benefit of other parents. Please email tcoles@silsoelower.co.uk.

Our SENDCo is hosting a series of parent and carer coffee mornings during 2019/2020. If you have questions or comments of a SEND nature, I would be very happy to meet with you. Please see forthcoming events/school calendar for dates and times.

Please feel free to message our SENDCo if you have any other comments or questions about SEND in our school.