



Merton's Forum for Parents of Children, Young People & Adults with Autism

Talk Autism Meetings April 2014 – December 2014

Friday 25 April, 10.00am to 12.00pm

Andrew Whittington, Chief Executive of Merton Mencap

Merton Mencap is planning a new service for adults with autism. Andrew is keen to consult parents & carers about how the service should be set up & run. Find out more about what Merton Mencap has in mind & have your say about what this new service should look like.

For parents of adults

Chaucer Centre, Room D, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

Thursday 22 May, 10am to 12pm

South Thames Crossroads Care

with Barbera Boatang & Avril Doyle

Crossroads Care is a provider of support for carers & people with care needs. Find out about the services Crossroads Care can offer to families of children & adults on the autistic spectrum.

For parents of children, young people & adults

Chaucer Centre, Room M, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

Wednesday 18 June, 10am to 12pm

Dr Liz Pellicano

Centre for Research in Autism & Education (CRAE)

CRAE's mission is to help enhance the lives of autistic people & their families. They conduct groundbreaking scientific research to enhance knowledge about interventions, education & outcomes for autistic children, young people & adults.

For parents of children, young people & adults

Chaucer Centre, Room M, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

Wednesday 2 July, 12pm to 2pm (afternoon session)

Ros Blackburn

Ros is an adult with autism who is an accomplished & internationally recognised presenter, talking to parents & professionals all around the world. Ros gives a unique insight into how autism affects her daily life & how she overcomes any hurdles that she encounters along the way.

Come & hear Ros talk about her experiences with education & employment.

For parents of children, young people & adults

Chaucer Centre, Middle Hall, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

Tuesday 16 September, 10am to 12pm

Sharon Clark, Volunteer Centre, Merton

Come & find out about the Supported Volunteering Programme for people with learning & sensory difficulties.

Volunteering is a very effective way of helping people to engage through socialising, overcoming isolation, building self esteem & confidence, & using, or learning new skills.

For parents of adults

Chaucer Centre, Room B, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

Tuesday 21 October, 10am to 12pm

Welfare Benefits Advice

Presentation with Suzie Rollins, Merton's Welfare Benefits Co-ordinator

Find out about welfare benefits including an update on changes implemented in the past year. The Welfare Benefits Service offers expert help & advice in relation to benefits, allowances & tax credits. They can also assist with form filling.

For parents of children, young people & adults

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Monday 10 November, 10am to 12pm

Carers Support Merton

Donna Perkins, Adult Carers Support Worker

Meet Donna & find out what advice, information & support the Adult Carers Team at CSM can offer to carers of adults.

For parents of adults

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Tuesday 2 December, 10am to 12pm

Disability Employment Advisor

with Ayda El-Deweiny

Find out how your local Disability Employment Advisor can offer help & support in finding work & gaining new skills

For parents of adults

Chaucer Centre, Room B, Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6PX

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