



THE SMILE ASD PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP

Lead by Claudia Goodman

Signposting, Support and Guidance

Tim Cook

Tim will be joined by
Mandy Garford and Matt Lynch

Meet, Share, Learn Workshop Session (second half)

Share your concerns and experiences with others; discuss strategies and ways forward in smaller groups with support from Tim, Mandy, Matt and Claudia

Thursday 9th November 2017

09:30-11.45

Ifield Smile, Cedar Avenue, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 5JT

Tim has worked for the NAS for over 30 years and is a qualified trainer in the management of challenging behaviour. He is currently the Family Liaison Officer for the Helen Allison School and a member of the Multi -Agency Autism Group. (MAAG) Tim is passionate about signposting parents to the support, events and groups available locally as well as providing advice regarding approaches.

Mandy is chairperson of the NAS Gravesham and Dartford branch. She is a member of the MAAG committee and also runs an autism consultancy, Autism South East. Mandy has 3 children on the Autistic Spectrum

Matt is a former Helen Allison pupil, a member of the MAAG committee and speaker on his experiences as someone on the spectrum.

A warm welcome and invitation to join Ifield Smile's Support Group for the parents, carers and families of any child or young person with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Asperger Syndrome, Social Communication Difficulties or those in the process of a diagnosis. You do not have to be a parent of a young person attending Ifield School. Our support group is **free** to attend. Refreshments provided. Please book your place in advance.

If you would like more information or to **make a booking**, please contact us:
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