

SEND resources

Links you may find helpful- websites, video clips, books and more

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-guide-for-parents-and-carers>

Government a guide on the support system for children and young people with special educational needs and disability (SEND).

<https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/home.page>

Suffolk info link-local offer, well being hub

<https://www.autismlittlelearners.com/>

Resources and ideas for families and educators

<https://www.specialneedsjungle.com/>

Parent led information, resources and informed opinion about children and young people age 0-25

<https://www.ipsea.org.uk/>

Independent Provider of Special Education Advice

offers free and independent legally based **information, advice and support** to help get the right education for children and young people with all kinds of special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). We also provide **training** on the SEND legal framework to parents and carers, professionals and other organisations.

<https://www.senresourcesource.co.uk/freebies>

Page of visual resources

<https://www.stephstwogirls.co.uk/2020/04/this-is-our-autistic-girl-world-autism.html>

Blog from a mum with 2 daughters and experience with PDA

<https://www.carersuk.org/>

Page giving information for carers

<https://www.contact.org.uk/>

Loads of help and advice

<https://skybadger.co.uk/>

Page with helpful advice to filling out forms etc

<https://www.access-unlimited.co.uk/activitiesunlimited/>

Access to grants for activities and holidays

<https://www.familyfund.org.uk/>

Grants for families

<https://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/>

Support for parents from parents

<https://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/>

Events, sessions and support

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z72yydm>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zh9v382>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zhg9gwx>

Support for Mental Health

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z9pxtrd>

<https://www.annafreud.org/>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/>

Transition for secondary school

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zhrhjvh>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zkb747h>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z4k8bdm>

<https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/moving-up-the-transition-to-secondary-school-animation-teacher-toolkit/>

<https://www.learningdisabilities.org.uk/search/?query=moving+on&op=Search>

<https://www.teachertoolkit.co.uk/2017/07/10/transitionforparents/>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/professional/resources/supporting-school-transitions/>

<https://www.eyalliance.org.uk/hello-big-school-managing-transitions>

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/getting-ready-to-start-primary-school/>

Book List

Through the eyes of me- Jon Roberts

Through the Eyes of Us- Jon Roberts

Managing meltdowns and tantrums on the Autism spectrum- a parent and carers guide.

By Jenna Ward-Hawkes and Melissa Rode

Is it onto ask questions about Autism?

By Abi Rawlins

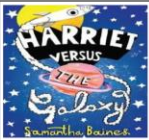
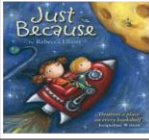
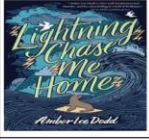
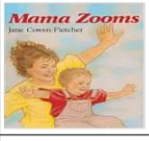

Cards against Anxiety

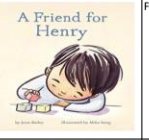
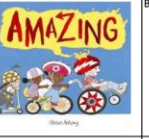
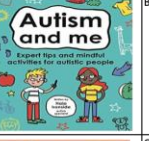


By Pooky Knightsmith

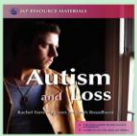


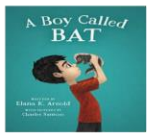
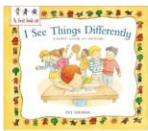
PDA syndrome- My daughter is not naughty.

By Jane Alison Sherwin

I am an Aspie girl by Danuta Bulhak-Paterson

Harriett versus the galaxy - Samantha Baines		Being inclusive	When 10-year-old Harriett is rummaging under her bed hunting for her hearing aid, the last thing she expects to find instead is an alien. It's a sock-munching alien from planet Janet. But what is it doing under her bed? And could it be that this isn't the only intergalactic visitor? Perhaps Harriett's mild-mannered, tea-supping, sock-knitting gran knows more about the alien invasion than she is letting on. It's not long before Harriett finds herself working alongside her gran to defend the human race from an array of extra-terrestrial characters, intent on stealing more than just socks. A rare and welcome example a female protagonist who just happens to be hearing impaired without this being the focus. Different family structures and gender identities (Harriett's new friend Robin is non-binary) are also incidentally included.	7+	The Book Trust
Just because - Rebecca Elliott		Being inclusive	Clemmie is severely disabled, but there is no sense of pity or pathos about the book, rather a feeling of equality and mutual appreciation and respect. All the things she cannot do (such as walking or talking) are described matter-of-factly alongside the fact that she can't cook macaroni or pilot a plane either. To Toby, she is definitely the best sister in the world – she's kind, she doesn't eat his crayons and she never pulls his hair like some big sisters do. Plus, they can fly to the moon together and she comforts him when there's a thunderstorm. Elliott (herself a parent of a disabled child) has succeeded in creating a book which is touching and yet not over-sentimental.	6+	The Book Trust
Lightening chase me home - Amber Lee Dodd		Friendships and social skills (bullying)	Amelia lives with her father, grandfather and dog in a weatherbeaten house on the small Scottish island of Dark Muir. It's an island steeped in myths and legends, and with a permanent sense of a storm brewing, no matter the season. On her eleventh birthday, and in island tradition, Amelia makes a wish on the mystical Serpent's Tooth Rock. Almost immediately, odd things begin to happen and it becomes apparent that her particular wish (to see her absent mother again) has awoken a strange and deeply powerful magic. Its appealing heroine wrestles with the challenges of dyslexia, a new school, an unpleasant bully and a grandparent with dementia, while ultimately trying to solve the mystery of Serpent's Tooth Rock.	9 to 12	The Book Trust
Mama zooms - Jane Cowen-Fletcher		Families and people who care for me	A little boy takes great delight as he sits on his mother's zooming machine-her lap-in her wheelchair, and she becomes a train, a buckboard wagon, a spaceship, and other machines, in a story that addresses the issue of a disabled parent.	Unspecified	PSHE Facebook support groups
Mary had a little lamb - Marina Aizen		Being inclusive	Being inclusive isn't only about featuring disabled characters as heroes and protagonists, but also about simply including disability as part of the natural landscape of children's books. This lovely book is one of many by Child's Play, undeniable experts in creating delightful early years books which reflect the true diversity of society in a natural and uncontrived way. In this particular example, the cast of lively little characters happens to include a child with a hearing aid and another using a wheelchair (shown playing both in and out of her wheelchair).	4+	The Book Trust

A friend for Henry - Jenn Bailey		Friendships and social skills	In Classroom Six, second left down the hall, Henry has been on the lookout for a friend. A friend who shares. A friend who listens. Maybe even a friend who likes things to stay the same and all in order, as Henry does. But on a day full of too close and too loud, when nothing seems to go right, will Henry ever find a friend—or will a friend find him? With insight and warmth, this heartfelt story from the perspective of a boy on the autism spectrum celebrates the everyday magic of friendship.	Primary and SEND	PSHE Facebook support groups
Amazing - Steve Antony		Being inclusive	Some children have cats. Some children have dogs. I have a dragon.' So begins the story of a little boy and his amazing pet. Through gloriously larger-than-life illustrations, we see the pair enjoying all sorts of activities – hide and seek with friends, dancing, going to the library, playing basketball, making music and raiding the fridge. Author-illustrator Steve Antony's past experience as a part-time support worker in an art college allowed him to get to know a number of disabled students, all of whom who clearly made a significant impression on him, inspiring the wheelchair in this book. Antony's very genuine understanding of the preconceptions that disabled people can encounter ensures that any messages are spot-on; the approach empowering, understated and unpreachy.	EYFS and KS1	The Book Trust
Autism and me: Expert tips and mindful activities for autistic people - Haia Ironside		Being inclusive	You can share this book with important people such as family and friends. The activities in this book explore what it means to be autistic. It is full of fun activities including colouring, drawing and DIY. The activities are designed for autistic people and their friends and family to enjoy. Some ideas might be useful to practice outside of the book in real life, every day situations. There is also guidance for parents and caregivers. This book was written by Haia Ironside. Haia recently completed her master's degree in Autism Studies. She is also a teacher and has extensive experience working with autistic children and their families and caregivers.	Unspecified	Primary PSHE Subject Leaders Facebook group
Beating the virus - Beyond Words Series		COVID-19	A short wordless story, that will help people to understand what to do if you have Coronavirus and how to keep yourself and those who you care about safe. The story also shows how to safely help others who may be self-isolating. Supplementary text at the end of the story gives information on where people can seek help if they are unwell and signposts to other useful resources.	Unspecified	PSHE Facebook support groups
Bryan has dyslexia - Woody Fox		Being inclusive	Not knowing his left from his right, and his bad headaches are also adding to his problems. Then, with some help from Dr Spot and a specialist teacher, the cause is found to be dyslexia and a range of new and fun solutions help Brian understand the condition and overcome many of the challenges it brings. One of Jenny Leigh's excellent Doctor Spot series, the book is full of bright illustrations and contains a valuable advice section for adults at the back.	4+	The Book Trust

Book:		Topic area:	Description:	Age range:	Source:
Autism and loss - Rachel Forrester-Jones and Sarah Broadhurst		Bereavement and loss	Autism and Loss is a complete resource that covers a variety of kinds of loss, including bereavement, loss of friends or staff, loss of home or possessions and loss of health. Rooted in the latest research on loss and autism, yet written in an accessible style, the resource includes a wealth of factsheets and practical tools that provide formal and informal carers with authoritative, tried and tested guidance.	Teachers - SEND	PSHE Facebook support groups
A Special Kind of Grief: The Complete Guide for Supporting Bereavement and Loss in Special Schools (and Other SEND Settings) - Sarah Helton		Bereavement and loss	Children with SEND especially those in special schools, often experience grief at a much younger age than others, as some of their peers are more likely to have life-limiting medical conditions. Yet many adults do not know the best way to support a grieving child with SEND. This book provides all the resources that educational professionals need to ensure their community is fully prepared to acknowledge and support pupil bereavement and loss.	Teachers - SEND	PSHE Facebook support groups
Interventions with bereaved children - Susan.C.Smith & Sister Margaret Pennells		Bereavement and loss	A resource with lots of practical ideas. Twenty contributors share effective ways of supporting and helping bereaved children. Chapter 13 is titled, "Helping Families and Professionals to Work with Children who have Learning Difficulties."	Teachers - SEND	PSHE Facebook support groups
A boy called Bat - Elana.K.Arnold		Being inclusive	For Bixby Alexander Tam (nicknamed Bat), life tends to be full of surprises—some of them good, some not so good (starring a young boy on the autism spectrum). Today, though, is a good-surprise day. Bat's mom, a veterinarian, has brought home a baby skunk, which she needs to take care of until she can hand him over to a wild-animal shelter. But the minute Bat meets the kit, he knows they belong together. And he's got one month to show his mom that a baby skunk might just make a pretty terrific pet.	Unspecified	PSHE Facebook support groups
A First Look At: Autism: I See Things Differently - Pat Thomas		Being inclusive	This reassuring picture book explains what autism is in simple terms, helping children with siblings or classmates with autism understand what everyday life feels like from a child with autism's perspective. The superb A First Look At series consists of a number of information books that give advice and promote interaction between children, parents, and teachers on a wide variety of personal, social and emotional issues. They are excellent tools to encourage classroom discussions.	Primary	Waterstones