



**Talk Autism is a forum for parents and carers  
of children, young people and adults with autism.**

**Next event**

Monday 13 November 2023, 10am – 12pm

**Location**

In-person at the Chaucer Centre, Canterbury Road, Morden SM4 6PX

**Merton Autism Outreach Service  
with Mel Kew, Outreach support worker**

Merton Autism Outreach Service is a Merton service based at Cricket Green School which provides support for children with social and communication difficulties in mainstream settings.

MAOS works in an advisory role with schools supporting staff in developing their understanding of ASD and sharing tools and tailored strategies to enable pupils to access learning and social opportunities.

They provide resources and support to families and carers.

Mel Kew, MAOS Outreach Officer, will be talking and presenting on MAOS' role and how their work with parent carers and schools to help support children with autism in mainstream schools. The presentation will be followed by a **Question & Answer section**.

**This workshop will comprise:**

- ✓ Mel will talk about how MAOS make recommendations with changes that could be made to improve your child's social communication difficulties, after observing their school environment.
- ✓ A discussion around how to make sure the child's perspective is heard at school.
- ✓ Mel will talk about how MAOS support school staff to develop their understanding of how autistic children experience the school environment and supporting.
- ✓ Mel will share information on courses, which enable parent carers to gain information on how to support their child, as well as helping to form friendships with other parent carers.
- ✓ And much more

This session is appropriate for parents and carers of children with autism.

Register now to attend this free session by contacting Maria Solari:

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