(EY) AET making sense of autism

Dates:

14 October 2025: [Booking Form](#)

27 January 2026: [Booking Form](#)

19 May 2026: [Booking Form](#)

Time: 9.00am – 12.30pm via Teams

Course cost: FREE to staff new to the role or £125.00 per delegate

Course details

This module is part of the AET professional development programme for staff in early years settings. The modules and materials have been created to help leaders and practitioners to understand the distinctive strengths and learning needs of young autistic children.

The SISS Autism team are a licenced training hub for the Autism Education Trust (AET), delivering evidence based national training that is recommended by DfE, OFSTED and listed in the SEND Code of Practice (2014) as the recommended autism training provider.

What will you learn?

You will gain a better understanding and awareness of autism and the way it affects children in your setting on this half-day course.

Aims

This course will help you to:
- extend your understanding of how autism affects children in the early years
- increase your expertise in recognising a child's individual strengths and differences
- develop your skills in identifying barriers to learning for autistic children
- develop your understanding of what "reasonable adjustments" need to be made to support an autistic child in your setting

Outcomes

After completing this course, you will be able to:
- approach autism as a difference rather than as a disorder or impairment
- recognise the three areas of difference for autistic children and how these can affect a child
- listen to and learn from the perspectives of autistic children and their parents/carers
- reflect on your practice and implement reasonable adjustments to support autistic children

Who is this training for?

This is a raising awareness module, for anyone working in early years settings. This includes teaching and support staff, office and ancillary staff, caterers, caretakers, transport staff and governors.

All delegates will receive a CPD certificate from AET and a Practical Resource Pack to use in setting immediately following the session.

Maximum number of places available: 20