

**Application form for membership**

Name.....

MEMBERSHIP £10.00

Address.....

UNWAGED £ 2.00

(please supply proof of benefit)

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PROFESSIONAL GROUPS £15.00

Post code .....

CORPORATE £20.00

Tel. Number .....

You can also make a donation to Autism Bedfordshire of any amount.

DONATION AMOUNT £.....

Name of child with: Autism  Aspergers

I/We enclose a cheque payable to **AUTISM BEDFORDSHIRE**

For £.....

Date of birth .....

**Ethnicity** (please tick one of the following):

**White**

- White British.....
- White Irish.....
- Any other white background.....

**Mixed ethnic background**

- White and Black Caribbean.....
- White and Black African.....
- White and Asian.....
- Any other mixed background.....

**Asian**

- Bangladeshi.....
- Indian.....
- Pakistani.....
- Any other Asian background.....

**Black**

- African.....
- Caribbean.....
- Any other Black background.....

**Any Chinese background**

**Any other ethnic background**

**Prefer not to say**

**GIFT AID**

Full name (including title)  
(Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr, other)

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**I confirm that I am a tax payer. Please treat all donations which I have made since April 6<sup>th</sup> 2000 and all donations etc. hereafter, until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations.**

Date .....

Signed .....

**Please return this form to:  
Autism Bedfordshire  
St. Marks Church Community Centre  
Calder Rise  
Bedford. MK41 7UY**



**Autism  
Bedfordshire**

**Registered Charity  
Number 1100722**

*Providing support services for  
people with autistic spectrum  
disorders throughout  
Bedfordshire and Luton*

Please feel free to contact us at:

**AUTISM BEDFORDSHIRE**

St. Marks Church Community Centre,  
Calder Rise, Bedford. MK41 7UY

**Tel: 01234 350704**

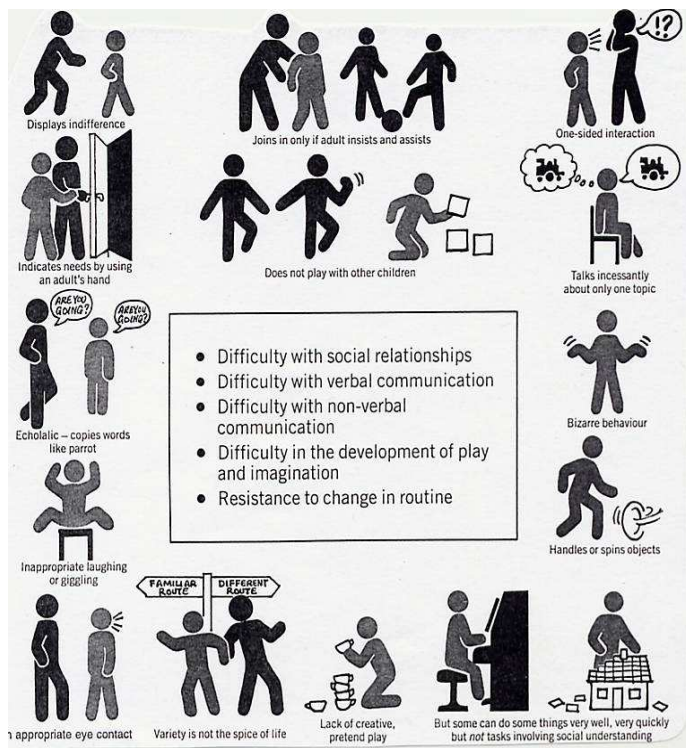
E-mail: [autismbeds@btconnect.com](mailto:autismbeds@btconnect.com)

Website: [www.autismbeds.org](http://www.autismbeds.org)

## AUTISM IS.....

A developmental disability, which affects the way a person thinks and communicates with others. It is a spectrum disorder which means that some people have more difficulty than others, people on the more able end of the spectrum can have Aspergers Syndrome.

These pin people illustrate some ways in which autism can be displayed.



## HISTORY OF AUTISM BEDFORDSHIRE

The society was formed by a group of parents in 1991. They met to exchange information and provide support to each other. The group developed, registered as a Charity and is now based in Bedford employing 5 staff members and many volunteers providing services throughout Bedfordshire and Luton. We aim to provide helpful information, advice and practical support.

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### Activities

We run summer activity schemes and social activities for children on the autistic spectrum and their families.

### Understanding

We have a telephone help-line available on 01234 350704 with trained staff & volunteers.

### Training

We offer training for parents and professionals on all aspects of autistic spectrum disorders.

### Information

We offer one to one support, newsletters, parents information packs, library services and a specialised volunteer network.

### Support

Practical and emotional support is available through our Link Groups run by parents for parents and through our Saturday family support groups.

### Membership

Members of Autism Bedfordshire can access a wide variety of services often at reduced rates.



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