



News from Radlett

Parent Network:

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parent Network meeting. I hope you found the session useful.

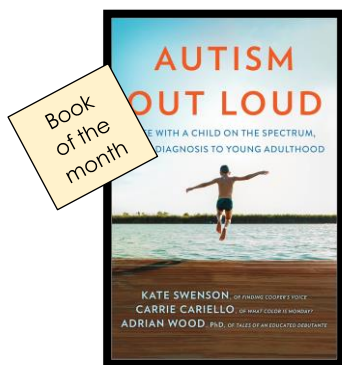
As mentioned in the session there is some great information on both ERIC and the National Autistic Society website.

<https://eric.org.uk/children-with-additional-needs/>

<https://www.autism.org.uk/search-results?searchTerm=Toileting>

Here is my new read for this month:

Autism Out Loud: Life with a child on the Spectrum from Diagnosis to Young Adulthood



Kate Swenson, Carrie Cariello and Adrian Wood

This book has a moving narrative of resilience in which three mothers share their varied stories on the autism journey. Throughout the book we get a glimpse into their lives, what worked and what didn't. This is a story of finding joy in little moments, the power of community and that you are not alone.

As ever, if you need any additional help or support, please either give me a call on 01923 854922, or email at

Mary.rogers@nas.org.uk

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Thank you Angie:

This month we said a big "thank you" to Angie for 45 years fantastic service to Radlett Lodge School and the National Autistic Society. Over the years she has had such an impact, not only the children and young people she has worked with, but on the many team members she has worked with over the years.

Gardening and cooking have always been her passions. She ran a café in Post 16 serving the staff with lunch every Friday, but has never shared her famous lemon drizzle cake recipe!

We surprised her with an assembly and even invited her husband!



Our pupils presented Angie with some fabulous homemade cards, along with a new garden bench with love from all of us here at school.



Student Council:

Our Student Council had a big decision to make at their last meeting, which activity would their friends like to take part in during the last week of this half term.



Their choices were either a bubble, mud, or splash day. Before they made their choice each activity had to be tried!



I am pleased to tell you that their choice was a splash day. We will share some photos after half term. Well done to all of our student council representatives.

Picnic at the Park:

Mars class have been taking advantage of the fabulous weather by taking their lunch to the park. They left enough room for a treat from the café!



Spotlight on our Volunteers:

The first week of June is Volunteers' Week. The theme this year is about the significant impact that volunteers have, recognising their contribution of time, skills and empathy.

We are so lucky to have several volunteers here at school, who not only drive our minibuses, enabling our pupils to regularly access the community, but help us at our allotment and with special events that take place throughout the year.

With that in mind I thought it would be nice to hear from one of our volunteers and hear from him about what he does for us here at school.

"I have been a volunteer at Radlett Lodge School since 2018. My main involvement is driving the school minibus, which allows the pupils to undertake trips, both long and short. They visit local parks and shops, as well as whole day trips to the zoo and even the seaside. Both pupils and teachers clearly benefit greatly from these trips, supporting the children and young people to embed their learning from the classroom into practical experiences in the community.

For me, I benefit from giving back to my local community, especially in helping a group which may face significant challenges in a world that can be complex and difficult to understand.

The staff at Radlett Lodge are a pleasure to engage with which makes my role straight forward."

Thank you to our volunteers who are such an important part of our Radlett Lodge Family

Dates for your Diary:

9th June Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

10th June School open for pupils

12th June School photos

17th June Electric Umbrella

18th June International Picnic Day

27th June Family Fun Day

Enabling our pupils to be the best version of themselves