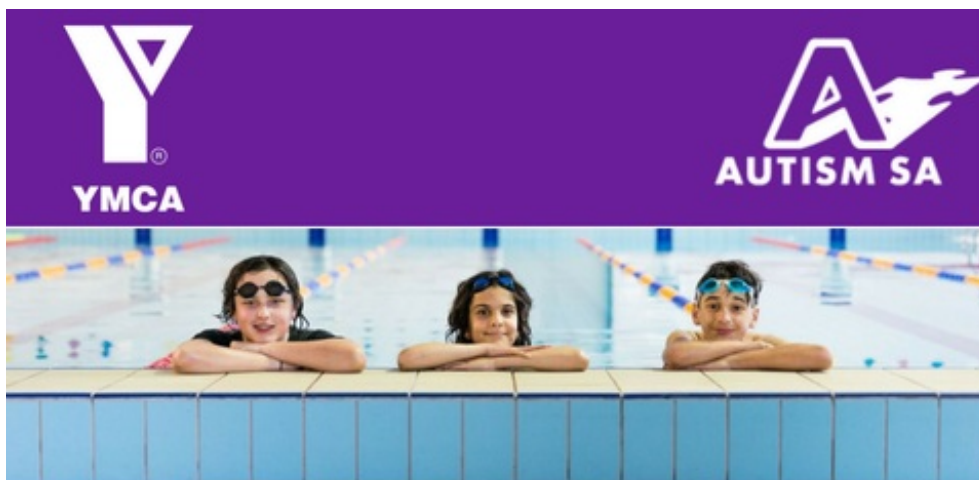




Welcome to your Autism SA Infomail

Autism SA and YMCA making a splash across South Australia

Come and have a blast with the YMCA and Autism SA at one of six events running across South Australia - from Port Lincoln to Victor Harbor - on 12 July 2018! You can book in for your closest location [here](#).



AUTISM FRIENDLY FAMILY FUN EVENT

Six sessions across six locations.
One date and one time!

Date: 12 July 2018

Time: 1-3pm

ELIZABETH
Aquadome

PORT LINCOLN
Port Lincoln Leisure
Centre

THE FLEURIEU
Fleurieu Aquatic
Centre

ANGLE PARK
The Parks Recreation
and Sports Centre

CLARE
The Valleys Lifestyle
Centre

WHYALLA
Whyalla Recreation
Centre

Spots are limited! Book your location at
autismfriendly.eventbrite.com.au



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an Autism SA initiative

Our bags are packed and we're heading off on 6 August to start our national Autism Friendly Charter roadshow.

Already up and running in South Australia, the Charter is now rolling out across the country, with the support of the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

During the next few weeks, we will visit major cities around Australia to provide free of charge sessions to local businesses committed to creating autism friendly environments. The sessions are open to organisations outside of South Australia, where the Charter has been kicking goals for almost two years. Hear from one of our autism friendly business partners [here](#).

If you are located outside of South Australia, click on your city below to attend one of our sessions, or if you are located inside the state please pass the registration link on to relevant friends and business colleagues:

- [Perth](#)
- [Darwin](#)
- [Canberra](#)
- [Brisbane](#)
- [Sydney](#)
- [Melbourne](#)
- [Hobart](#)

With 164,000 Australians on the spectrum, and that figure rising, our goal is to achieve an inclusive society. We would love to hear from those with lived experience of autism spectrum - please participate in this [brief survey](#) to share with us your experiences.

Autism SA Northern Hub has opened its doors



On Tuesday 12 June, Autism SA CEO Jenny Karavolos welcomed our first client, Peter, to the brand new Autism SA Northern Hub. Peter was all smiles as he had his first tour around the Hub by Jenny and one of our brilliant Occupational Therapists - with purple balloon and rainbow giraffe in tow!

The Northern Hub (1/57 Elizabeth Way, Elizabeth) is the newest space dedicated to individuals on the autism spectrum, their families and carers. The dynamic new Hub is designed to have an innovative sensory space, brand new therapy rooms, modern technology and more. We are thrilled to have our doors open for services and look forward to sharing progress with you as we further develop our exciting new Hub.



NDIS delays in SA rollout

The NDIS was due to be completely rolled out by the end of this Financial Year, but due to unforeseen circumstances the Scheme will not be ready for the June 30 deadline.

The South Australian Government has confirmed that individuals previously supported by the Commonwealth will continue to be supported until they have met with the NDIS and have an approved plan. The NDIS has stated that this means that there will be no loss in continuity of service until all clients have transitioned. It is intended that all Commonwealth clients will be transitioned by June 30 2019.

If you are part of the rollout delay, and need assistance transitioning to the NDIS, Autism SA can help. You can call the Autism SA Infoline for more information on 1300 AUTISM.

If you have an NDIS plan, you can complete the [Autism SA online referral form](#). However, if you do not have an NDIS plan and wish receive services or support from Autism SA call (08) 8379 6976.

Specials



The global theatrical phenomenon, The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time will be performed at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre throughout August. The Autism SA community has been offered a 10 percent discount for all sessions - use the code 'CURIOUS' at the checkout to get your special price [here](#). Please note that tickets are subject to availability and a one-off service & handling fee of \$5.00 per transaction applies on all purchases.



Described as "a play that works on every level, crowd-pleasing, eye-opening, life-affirming and unmissable" by TIME Magazine and hailed as "a phenomenal combination of storytelling and spectacle" by The Times (UK), it is not to be missed!

The play tells the story of fifteen-year-old Christopher Boone who has an extraordinary brain, is exceptional at math but is ill-equipped to interpret everyday life. He has never ventured alone beyond the end of his road, he detests being touched and he distrusts strangers. When Christopher falls under suspicion for killing his neighbour's dog, his detective work to identify the true culprit, takes him on a journey that upturns his world.

GIVEAWAY!! We have a double pass to give away to The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, for July 6.30pm - simply [email us](#) with your details and you will go into the draw to win the double pass. The winner will be drawn at random and will be announced the week before the performance. Good luck!

The Social Mind Workshops

Social Thinking Australia is offering a 35 per cent discount to the Autism SA community for workshops that are being run along the East Coast later this year. Social Thinking is a registered trademark of Michelle Garcia Winner, who is an incredibly engaging keynote speaker. Michelle will be in Adelaide for Autism SA's upcoming 2019 Autism Conference Series: Using 'Social Thinking' © to encourage social based problem solving in February 2019. More information will be released on the next installment of the conference in the coming months. To view the flyer for the upcoming Social Mind workshop, click below:

[The Zones of Regulation - presented by Leah Kuypers, author of The Zones of Regulation®](#)

You can purchase a ticket to this upcoming workshop on the [website](#) with the discount coupon code AutismSA, or [email Peter](#) for an invoice.

PECS Level 1 Training

"I found this training very informative. It covered more areas than I had considered"
-PECS Level 1 Participant

PECS LEVEL 1 TRAINING

Are you an educator, health professional or family member of an individual on the autism spectrum? Come and learn all about the PECS protocol with the Pyramid Educational Consultants of Australia on 6-7 August 2018 at Autism SA's Netley office.

Originally developed as a picture exchange, the PECS protocol uses evidence-based

teaching strategies to teach functional communication. The protocol and strategies taught begin with spontaneous initiation of communication, moving forward to vocabulary and then expanding language. The strategies and protocol are applicable regardless of the mode of communication used by the individual (picture, both high and low tech, sign language and even speech).

Click on the above image for more information and to book your spot.

Autism SA presents What's the Buzz?

A social skills enrichment program for primary school students

"What's the Buzz?" is a program for children who need assistance with the nature of social interactions.

Participants engage in a 16-session role-play and play-based group program that focuses on the development of their social skills, such as greetings, following instructions, Theory of Mind, engaging in a reciprocal conversation, and handling worry.

Participants are offered intensive support from qualified and experienced Speech Pathologists and the fun, engaging, activity-based sessions will improve confidence, attention and engagement.

To register your interest fill in the form [here](#), or phone Autism SA's Senior Speech Pathologist - Project Officer on (08) 8379 6976.



**RESEARCH
PARTICIPANTS
WANTED**

Click on the below links to learn how you can get involved with current research:

[Exploring the social-emotional and academic experiences of girls on the autism spectrum in the first two years of secondary school](#)

This study aims to find out about the experiences and perspectives of girls on the autism spectrum in the first 2 years of secondary school. The research will be conducted in two stages. STAGE 1 research will commence with an on-line survey.

["How was your day?": Home conversations about their school day in children with ASD](#)

Parents of children (aged 8-12) with an ASD or neuro-typical will help researchers understand how your child communicates about their school day with you when they come home. Australia-wide online survey. Please join now and forward on. Ends 31 July 2018.

[Exploring experiences of friendship in girls and young women with high functioning Autism Spectrum Disorder](#)

This project aims to explore the experiences of friendship & friendship support of girls & young women with high functioning Autism Spectrum Disorder. We are looking to speak to girls aged 16-18, young women and their parents.

Do you have a heart-warming story you would like to share?
Please send us an email with the details
to asamarketing@autismsa.org.au

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