**INFORMATION SESSIONS**

IN THE EXMOUTH ACADEMIC LEARNING COMMUNITY

(Teachers, teaching assistants, professionals, parents, relatives, childminders and other interested parties all very welcome)

**1:30 – 3pm repeated 3:30 - 5pm in the community room at**

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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| **Topic** | **Date** | **Notes** |
| How social stories and comic strips help anxious kids/those with ASD. | **Friday 11th January** | As anxiety is at the root of so many behaviours, anyone wanting a greater understanding of these would benefit from attending. |
| Attachment/Challenging behaviour (including reciprocity, shame, resilience, the explosive child and bids for attention) | **Friday 18th January** | Children who overreact /are not maximising their potential. Understanding, sensing and changing disruptive behaviour. We are fortunate to have a very experienced retired educational psychologist co-presenting at this and several more sessions. |
| THRIVE / BOXALL / ELSA / SDQ etc | **Friday 25th January** | We will be looking at different ways to assess a child’s emotional state and progress in this area. |
| Is there an effective alternative to punishment? Which praise is effective in eliciting better behaviour? | **Friday 1st February** | How can I control the children if I don’t punish/ reward them? Strategies to gain compliance by connection rather than coercion/ bribery. |
| SIBLING RIVALRY | **Friday 8th February** | Brilliant and effective ideas from various sources, including: How to prevent sibling fighting, Why kids hit siblings and how to help them stop, Bickering in the back seat, how to stay calm when they are pushing your buttons! |
| Language development including the Communication Chain | **Friday15thFebruary** | Having poorly developed language skills is hugely under-diagnosed; if your child is frustrating you, this could be the cause – come along and find out more! (Also useful if your child has ASD.) |

☺ **NO CHARGE** – REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED! ☺ PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE OTHER TOPICS ☺

To book a place or ask for further information, please call 01395-263397 ext2 and leave a message if no answer. Thank you.