



## Spectra Inclusion Support Team

Invites Delegates for an Autism Professionals Conference

### 'Inspiring Inclusion - Autism Learning Life'

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Registration **9am**, Conference **9.30am-4.15pm**

**Venue:** The Trinity Centre, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury SY3 9HF

**£125/delegate including catered lunch**

**Two Prominent Keynote Speakers & a Wide Range of Workshop Choices**



#### *'How do we make the inclusion of autistic children work to the benefit of all?'*

##### **Dr Glenys Jones, C. Psychol., AFBPS, PhD, MA, MEd**

Dr. Glenys Jones is a Chartered Psychologist and an Honorary Lecturer within the Autism Centre for Education and Research (ACER) at the University of Birmingham. She has been engaged in research into educational interventions for those on the autism spectrum for over 30 years and is Editor of the Good Autism Practice Journal, published by BILD. She currently works within a diagnostic service in the West Midlands set up to assess adults who are thought to be on the autism spectrum.

For the Autism Education Trust (AET), she led on the work in 2008 which identified the issues and challenges in the education of autistic children and also on the National Standards in Autism Education for schools and educational settings (5-16). She was also involved in producing the AET Parent/Carers' Guide. Glenys has been a member of the AET Programme Board since its inception and is Chair of the Post 16 Leadership group for the AET.

The keynote will explore the type of adjustments made for autistic children and demonstrate that when these are effectively implemented, both sets of children gain from the experience of inclusion.



#### *'My Autistic Life'*

**Dean Beadle**

Dean Beadle has toured the UK and abroad for over ten years sharing his experiences of life on the autism spectrum. Through his humorous and insightful speeches, Dean outlines his positive outlook on his diagnosis.

Dean is an experienced journalist and has worked freelance for Greenwich Time Newspaper, a local newspaper in London, writing anything from fitness columns and celebrity interviews through to concert reviews and news reports. Dean has also written articles for The Guardian and the National Autistic Society Communication magazine, and has edited the Network Autism 'Autism in Practice' newsletter which was sent to subscribers in over 90 countries.

Dean has sat on the judging panel for the NAS Professionals Awards. An interview with Dean is featured as a key resource in the Autism Education Trust training programme. Dean is honorary president of APCymru, an autistic led parent charity in Cardiff, Wales, and a patron of SPACE, a parent led charity in Hertfordshire, and of ONE to ONE Enfield, a charity providing meaningful activities. Dean is also a singer, performing at charity balls & various events across the UK.

Dean will be delivering a keynote about his life on the spectrum, and delight the conference with his musical ability to conclude the day.

#### **Workshop Choices:**

- ❖ Supporting Young People with Autism to Effectively Manage Stress & Anxiety
- ❖ Understanding & Supporting Children with Attachment Issues & Autism
- ❖ Effective Communication: Enabling Parents & Professionals to Work Together
- ❖ Common Sense: A highly practical introduction to the senses and how children with autism experience the world
- ❖ How to Effectively Use Visual Support in the Classroom
- ❖ Valuing the Perspectives of Children and Young People on the Autism Spectrum
- ❖ Puberty On the Autism Spectrum: Stepping into a Whole New World
- ❖ Question & Answer session with Dr Glenys Jones regarding her keynote about how we can make autism inclusion benefit all children

**To book places:** Please complete the Conference Booking Form or contact Val Jones on **07717575362** or [vj@spectraautism.com](mailto:vj@spectraautism.com) to request a booking form.