

# ASN family forum event

## HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ASD AS SCHOOLS RETURN

Date: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Time: 6.30pm - 8pm

Location: online

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### Speaker: Jim Taylor



Jim Taylor: knows autism. Jim is an experienced professional in Autism having worked in the field for over 40 years. Currently working independently, he was formerly Director of Education and Support Services in a national organisation. He was instrumental in the design and development of New Struan School, A Centre for Autism, one of the first buildings in the world designed specifically around the learning styles and needs of autistic students. Having been 'Released back into the world of Autism', Jim is currently involved in a number of exciting new projects both in schools and in services for autistic adults around the UK and Ireland. He continues to work with individuals with an ASD, with their families and relevant professionals. He is the Chair of the National Autistic Society's Accreditation Standards Body, and advises a number of UK-wide Service Providers and Local Education Authorities.

In March 2015, Jim was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Autistic Society. In November of the same year, Jim was presented with the prestigious Excellence in Education Award by the Ohio Center for Autism in Columbus, Ohio.

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There will also be an opportunity to hear from parents of young people with ASD.