

## **Outwood Primary Academy Lofthouse Gate**

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## Dear Parent/Carer

Due to Government Funding in the Adult Education Budget, we have been made aware of several Free online Level 2 CACHE/TQUK/NCFE Accredited Courses available to help better understand some key issues around young people's mental health and wellbeing. Below are some of the most popular courses on offer:

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- Understanding Autism (learn how individuals process sensory information, understand characteristics, understand conditions, learn how speech, language and communication differ in people with Autism)
- Understanding Children and Young Peoples Mental Health (Understand factors
  which may affect Young Peoples mental health, the impact that they have and
  how to support them with these issues)
- Understanding Behaviour That Challenges (supporting positive behaviour, effective communication & how to manage challenging behaviour)
- Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties (understand characteristics of ADHD, ADD, Dyslexia & Dyscalculia, importance of early diagnosis, assessment methods available to diagnose learning difficulties)

The qualifications are completed within an 8-week period. Duration is completely dependent on each learner's ability as to how fast they complete and how many hours it takes. There are no exams, essays or end-point assessments, however, I would advise that these are NOT 'short courses' that will take just a few hours to complete. As these are equivalent to a GCSE Grade C, you are required to write comprehensive answers for some questions. You may do as many as you like, just one at a time.

The only criteria the learner must meet to be eligible, is the following:

- Aged 19 or over on or before 31st August 2021
- Have lived in the UK/EU for 3+ years
- Not already on a Government funded course (Apprenticeship for example)

The course is completely free, but the learning provider reserves the right to charge a drop out fee in the event that someone enrols, but then makes **no attempt to complete** the course without a valid reason. That said, the college will grant extensions if the learner has a genuine reason as to why they feel they won't be able to complete it within the 8 weeks.

If you are interested in undertaking one of these Free Online courses, then please complete the following link this week. This will then allow you to complete a quick Registration online. You will then be contacted by The Aim Group to explain how Enrolment works and to ask any questions you may have.

https://theaimgroup.co.uk/booking-form/0014J00000fBZHJ

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Yours faithfully

Mrs L Hadfield

Principal