



11 November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Autism Accreditation Parent Carer feedback**

West Kirby School and College have held Autism Accreditation for more than ten years, with the most recent assessment being in 2019. As part of the process of maintaining our outstanding standards, we undergo a range of checks and we would value your input with this.

Autism Accreditation is the National Autistic Society's programme for assessing the quality of support directly offered to autistic children or adults. It is an internationally recognised quality standard and the UK's only autism specific quality assurance programme. We currently have an 'accredited status'. An accredited status signifies we are working to the best autism practice and can evidence person centred assessments, strategies and outcomes for the young people we support. Achieving accreditation proves that we are committed to understanding autism and setting the standard for autism practice.

Jonny Knowles from the NAS has been our adviser within school and has been working alongside myself to help prepare for our assessment in December. Jonny will be going around school conducting learning walks, speaking to different members of staff and then spending the evening at our residential provision.

***We need your feedback***

As part of the accreditation the NAS and ourselves want to gain the views of parents, carers and most importantly pupils, on our provision. Pupils will complete a different survey with their form tutors in school.

Please find the link to the questionnaire for our Parents and Carers below. The deadline to complete the questionnaire is Thursday 8th December 2022. We would like as many responses as possible.

<https://forms.office.com/r/OSMzpm1meh>

I have also attached a leaflet from the NAS with more information about Autism Accreditation. However, if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to ask me [rspence@wkrs.co.uk](mailto:rspence@wkrs.co.uk)

Kind regards,

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