

Hastings & Rother

Positive Parenting Guide

What's on April/May 2021



Introduction



Finally, it's spring! Time to spring clean, de-clutter our homes and minds; so a perfect time to think about starting a new parenting plan and or tackle some troublesome behaviours.

Things are looking up and the future for our children is bright, but these are still confusing times. Children may be back at school or nursery and but may feel anxious about more changes. As parents we may still be working from home, or not working at all but there are positive ways to deal with stress and big changes. We are here to support you with our variety of online courses each with specific tips on how you can deal with the most common behaviour problems. And best of all, these evidence-based methods have already been successful in supporting families worldwide through times of crisis. So, you don't have to do it alone; we'll get through this together. Parents can access as much or as little as they like, and **just small changes will make a big difference!**

The Parenting Team use Microsoft Teams which is free to download and accessible from phones, tablets and laptops! Just simply choose the support you would like to access, email in which course you would like to attend info@openforparents.org.uk and the link to join will be sent to you.

Once you have joined the discussion you can choose to have your microphone and camera either on or off (whichever you are more comfortable with) but we do encourage you to try some face to face with the other parents as the more you engage – the more supported and confident you will feel!



What we offer



Facebook Page and Website

This pandemic has upended family life around the world. School closures, working from home and social isolation – it's a lot to navigate for anyone, but especially for parents. Find handy links to help you manage this new (temporary) normal, including information on how to handle your relationship issues, common parenting problems, health and wellbeing and much more!

ONLINE Webinars

Most of the time, parenting is great fun. You know you are doing a good job. But there are times when things get a little tricky.

Like when your toddler won't eat her dinner. Or your six year old won't pick up his toys. Maybe your child never seems to listen. If only someone could give you some ideas to make those times easier!

Sound like you? Then come along!

Each webinar lasts between 1 to 2 hours, you'll watch short video clips showing other parents successfully dealing with the same issues and you'll be encouraged to share your thoughts with the other parents in the group, if you wish to. You'll also be given a workbook with simple exercises and information to help you try your new strategies at home.



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ONLINE Positive Parenting Group (2-12 years)

From the very start you will get tips and suggestions to fit the needs of your family. Your workbook will give you tools and information to start positive parenting right away at home. Group Triple P consists of 8 group sessions with other parents in weekly 2 hour webinars - together with phone advice and support from your Parenting Coach.

ONLINE Stepping Stones Group (Children with additional needs)

This group can help you manage problem behaviour and development issues common in children with a disability or additional needs, diagnosed or undiagnosed. It helps you encourage behaviour you like, cope with stress, teach your child new skills and build better family relationships.

Group Stepping Stones consists of 8 group sessions with other parents in weekly 2 hour webinars - together with phone advice and support from your Parenting Coach.



NEW THIS APRIL!

ONLINE The Incredible Years Parenting Programme (3-8 years)

The Incredible Years is an evidence-based parenting programme that focusses on strengthening parents' skills/abilities and relationship with their children. The course also helps to promote children's academic, social and emotional skills whilst also reducing problem behaviours. Incredible Years consists of 8 group sessions with other parents in weekly 2 hour webinars - together with phone advice and support from your Parenting Coach.



ONLINE (TEEN) Positive Parenting Group (10+ years)

This group can help you cope positively with some of the common issues associated with raising a teenager. It looks at ways to build a stronger relationship with their teenager, resolve conflict in the family and manage problem behaviours. It also explores risky behaviour and keeping your teen safe.

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The Power of Positive Parenting- 90 minutes (2-8 years)

This seminar is perfect for new parents or those who needs a refresh! It introduces parents to the five key principles of positive parenting that form the basis of Triple P.

These principles are:

- Ensuring a safe engaging environment.
- Creating a positive learning environment.
 - Using assertive discipline.
 - Having reasonable expectations
- Looking after yourself as a parent

Friday 2nd April 10-11:30am Tuesday 4th May 11-12:30pm

Supporting Secondary School - 90 minutes (10+ years)

Starting secondary school is a big milestone in a child's life.

It marks the end of being at a small primary school and the start of being in a much bigger school environment, where there are greater expectations on a child or young person to be **independent**.

Gain practical advice on how to support your teen in developing independence and resilience in their new school.

Wednesday 7th April 11-12:30pm Wednesday 5th May 1-2:30pm



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Tips and Tricks for Successful School Life! 90 minutes (2-8 years)

Often the more supported a child feels at home the better they achieve in school. Come and receive top tips for developing independence, problem solving and communication skills – all of which are essential for having a successful year at primary school.

Friday 9th April 1-2:30pm Thursday 6th May 10:30-12pm

Managing Anxiety and Raising Resilient Children 90 minutes (2-12 years)

This session is for parents who want to develop their child's understanding of feelings and appropriate ways to express them. Gain knowledge on how to encourage your child to problem solve and cope with stressful situations – turning challenges into opportunities!

Tuesday 13th April 12:30-2pm Friday 4th May 11-12:30pm



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Raising Confident and Independent Children 90minutes (2-12 years)

In this interesting seminar, parents are introduced to six core building blocks for children to become confident and successful at school and beyond. These competencies are:

- showing respect to others
 - being considerate
- having good communication and social skills
 - having healthy self-esteem
- being a good problem solver
 - becoming independent

Thursday 15th April 9:30-11am

Monday 10th May 1-2:30pm

Turning Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour 90 minutes (children with additional needs)

This fantastic session discusses common behaviour problems such as hitting, shouting and refusing to follow instructions. Gain skills in how to encourage appropriate behaviour and create your own useful parenting plan to make some positive changes at home!

Monday 19th April 12:30-2pm

Tuesday 11th May 1-2:30pm



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Helping Your Child To Reach Their Full Potential 90 minutes (**Children with additional needs**)

This session can help parents to improve their child's confidence and social skills. By learning how to teach your child new skills and encouraging progress and efforts your child will be more able to reach their full potential – a common concern amongst parents of children with additional needs.

Friday 30th April 12:30-2pm

Wednesday 12th May 12:30-2pm



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Dealing with Disobedience (Getting Your child to Listen) 2 hours (2-12 years)

All children misbehave at times and we all face those moments when children will not do as they are told. This very popular session helps parents to teach their children limits, do as they are told and understand the meaning of the word *No*.

Wednesday 28th April 12-2pm Thursday 13th May 10-12pm

Wednesday 26th May 12-2pm

Managing Fighting and Aggression 2 hours (2-12 years)

When children fight there is a risk that somebody could get hurt so teaching your children clear limits and boundaries is important. This session will show you how to encourage your children to play well together, problem solve and solve arguments without parents always needing to be involved.

Friday 23rd April 10-12pm Friday 14th May 12:30-2:30pm

Thursday 27th May 12:30-2:30pm

Getting your Child into Bed (and staying there for the night!) (2-12 years)

Explores common bedtime problems, why they happen and how to prevent them. Includes information around parent traps, creating your own bedtime routines and managing problem behaviour.

Thursday 1st April 6-8pm Tuesday 20th April 1-3pm

Monday 10th May 6:30-8:30pm



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Challenging Behaviour in Public (Hassle Free Shopping) 2 hours (2-12 years)

This discussion uses shopping trips as an example of one of the most common times parents have to deal with difficult behaviour... **in public!**

Positive parenting strategies are discussed as step by-step suggestions for preventing problems and teaching children how to behave when out and about. Parents develop personalised plans to manage problem behaviour and are encouraged to use them in potentially difficult community situations.

Wednesday 21st April 6:30-8:30pm Monday 17th May 10:30-12:30pm

Reducing Family Conflict 2 hours (10+ years)

Increased conflict with children during their teenage years is common but can be upsetting for the whole family. This discussion group gives some positive parenting suggestions to help teach your teenager how to get along with others in the family without constant fights and arguments.

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Tuesday 27th April 6-8pm



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Building Teenagers Survival Skills for Risky Situations 2 hours (10+ years)

Many parents become more concerned about their teenager's safety as they become young adults. Parents can often try to restrict their teenager's freedom to keep them safe however this can lead to conflict between parents and teenagers. Talking to teenagers about risky situations can be tricky as they often believe parents are overreacting. For example, is your teenager looking to go on a sleepover to their friends' house that you don't know? Do they want to stay at home alone, do they want to hang out in town with their friends? Teenagers need to be able to recognise risky situations, have a plan for coping with these or avoid more dangerous situations. Parents can help their teenagers by gradually allowing them more independence to take part in different social events and the tips you will receive in this workshop are very useful for both parents and teenagers.

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Wednesday 19th May 1-3pm



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Getting Teens to Cooperate 2 hours (10+ years)

Teenagers are known to become less cooperative during their transition from child to adult. These changes can cause conflict between the parent and the teen. This session will give strategies on how to teach your teen to be more polite, cooperative and to behave appropriately.

Thursday 29th April 12:30-2:30pm

Thursday 20th May 12:30-2:30pm

Wednesday 26th May 6:30-8:30pm

Coping with Teenagers' Emotions 2 hours (10+ years)

The transition from child to adult can often make teenagers highly emotional. Parents may find this upsetting and difficult to manage as it can cause disagreements and frustration for everyone. This session will give ideas on how to develop your teens coping skills and emotional resilience.

Tuesday 27th April 12:30-2:30pm

Friday 21st May 10:30-12:30pm



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E-SAFETY

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E-Safety 2 hours (2-10 years)

Children are learning more and more about the internet at a young age with 55% 3-4 year olds having access to tablets and the internet. With these rising figures, children are increasingly vulnerable to online dangers. This session will teach you how to talk to your child about E-Safety and gives lots of useful tips and tricks on how to keep them safe online.

Thursday 1st April 12:30-2:30pm Monday 24th May 12:30-2:30pm

Thursday 20th May 6:30-8:30pm



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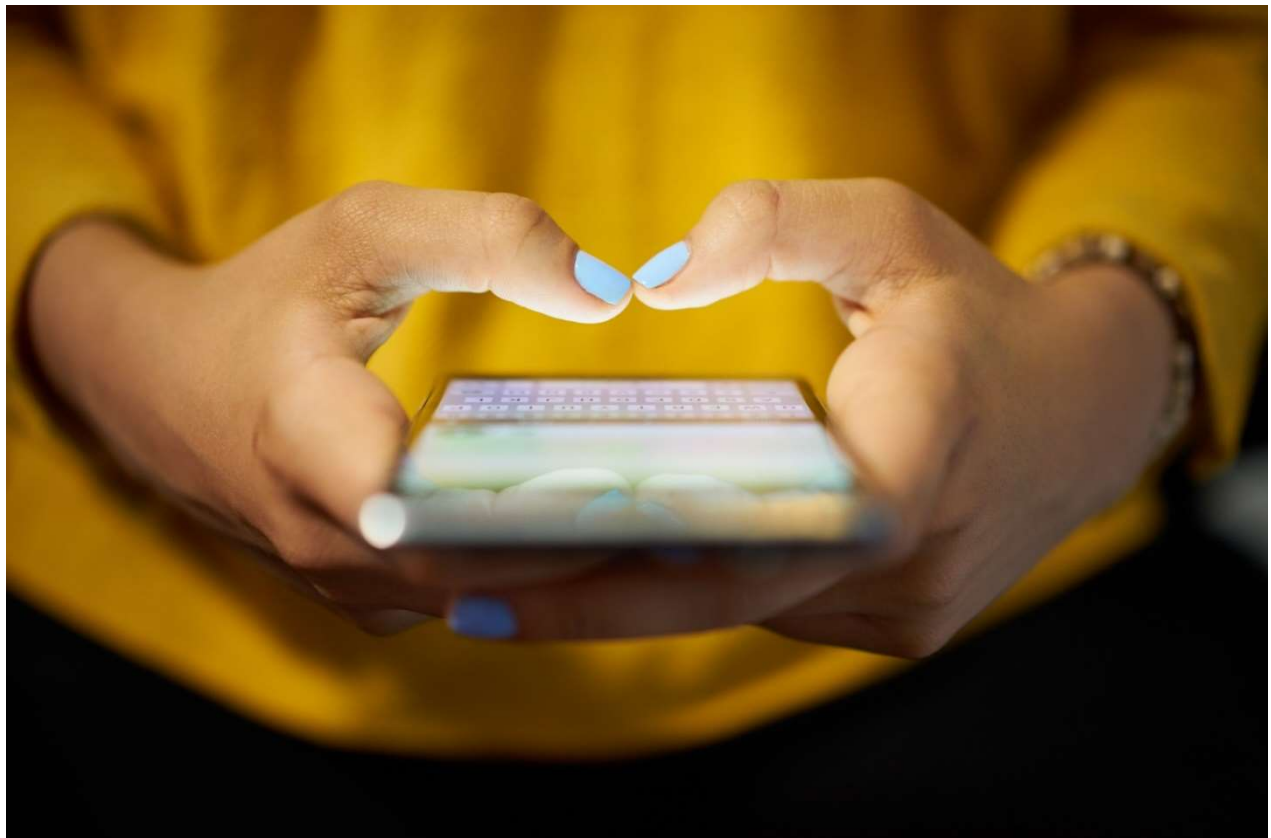
E-Safety 2 hours (10+ years)

Teenagers use digital technologies for everyday activities like keeping in touch with friends on social media, relaxing and doing schoolwork. Because they're online so much without your supervision, teenagers need to be able to identify acceptable and unacceptable online content independently. They also need to know how to behave respectfully online and avoid online risks.

Monday 26th April 10:30-12:30pm

Tuesday 25th May 12:30-2:30pm

Thursday 6th May 6:30-8:30pm



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GROUPS

To book onto any of these please email your name and the title of the group you wish to attend to info@openforparents.org.uk.

Positive Parenting Group Stepping Stones – 8 weeks (Children with additional needs 2-12 years)

The pressure of raising a child with additional needs can put a strain on family life. Come and meet other parents experiencing similar situations and learn simple strategies that can make life at home a little easier for everyone! This 6 week group is for parents and carers who want help with their child's development or behaviour problems.

Starts Tuesday 20th April 10-12:00pm

Positive Parenting Group TEEN – 8 weeks (10+ years)

All parents raising teenagers need support at times and joining this 6 week group can significantly reduce family stress. Key learning points will be encouraging appropriate behaviour, managing problem behaviour and how to deal with risky behaviour.

Starts Thursday 22nd April 10-12:00pm

Positive Parenting Group - 8 weeks (2-10 years)

This 6 week group teaches parents a range of strategies to use that help to support, develop and managing problem behaviour in children. It identifies causes of behaviour, parent traps and helps parent to set goals and plan for high risk situations.

Starts Tuesday 25th May 10-12:00pm



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The Incredible Years – 8 weeks (3-8 years)

Another positive parenting programme that aims to build the relationship between parent and child. This programme also looks to encourage and develop academic, social and emotional skills whilst also tackling problem behaviour.

Starts Wednesday 21st April 10-12:00pm



Open for Parents

Being a parent is not always easy. You are not alone if you find it difficult sometimes. But it's OK. You can talk to us.

If you live in East Sussex and you're worried about managing your child's behaviour, supporting their development or their emotional wellbeing or you want support and advice to help build a positive relationship with your child, we can help.

Check out our website and Facebook page for regular updates on available courses and events. www.openforparents.org.uk and <https://www.facebook.com/OpenforParents>.

Please call the team on 01424 725800 or email info@openforparents.org.uk for further support.

Kind Regards

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