

## Meta-analysis

### [Cognitive behavioral therapy may be only mildly effective for anxious, autistic children](#)

Many autistic children rate the therapy as less effective at treating their anxiety than their parents and clinicians do.

## Report

### [National Autistic Society School Report 2021](#)

This most recent report highlighted that over a quarter (26%) of parents waited over three years to receive support for their child. Three quarters (74%) said their child's school place did not fully meet their needs – this has almost doubled since 2017. Only one in four parents are satisfied with the special educational needs support their child is receiving. Less than half of autistic children are happy in school.

## Studies

### [Love and relationships: the views of adults with learning disabilities](#)

In this study, researchers asked adults with learning disabilities how they feel about love. Participants enjoyed caring and being cared for, and liked the comfort that relationships can bring. [Easy Read report](#)

### [New studies reveal how autism might alter synapse formation, pruning](#)

The work fills in gaps about how synapses change before and after birth — essential knowledge for understanding whether synapse development differs in autism.

## Consultation

### [Response to Ofqual's accessible assessments consultation](#)

The Autism Education Trust, Ambitious about Autism and the National Autistic Society welcomes Ofqual's consultation on [draft guidance](#) to make exams more accessible for pupils with special educational needs.