



Snowflake School

for children with autism



Newsletter June 2008

Dear Supporters,

After three years of hard work, Snowflake School for Children with Autism is preparing to open its doors to pupils as of September 2008.

We occupy two bright and spacious garden flats with a reasonably sized garden, located in Earls Court, London SW5. The asking rent was below market price as the premises were very run down. We spent three months refurbishing the property in order to turn it into proper school premises which would meet the high standards and to bring it in line with high standards required by the Department of Education and for that, our landlords have agreed to freeze our rent for 5 years as well as give us 3 months rent free and 3 months half rent periods to ease the pressure on our finances. And for this we are truly grateful!

With no advertising what so ever, and just by word of mouth, we have a number of children on our waiting list. Parents are welcoming our school to the area; The National Autistic Society is chasing us for an opening date; NHS pediatricians are enquiring about the age range of the school, and other government departments are asking about the services we are going to offer.



With our premises secured and under refurbishment, we began the challenging admin task at hand. We have recruited the teaching staff, had our staff police checked and have begun training them. Our curriculum has been written, our policies have been established and we have furnished the school.

We have just submitted our registration application to the Department of Education. The doors will be opening to our children in September 2008 and we are planning an opening reception sometime in November.

None of this would have been possible without your continued support, encouragement and faith to see us through establishing The Snowflake School for Children with Autism, so thank you again for supporting our school. We intend to send you regular news about our progress. If you have any specific questions, or if you do not wish to receive our updates, please let us know.

On behalf of the Snowflake School for Children with Autism,

Yours truly,
Faryaneh Akhavan
Founder



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