

# Greenside School and



## Paul Isaacs

### Present



For parents (free) and professionals (£5)

DSPL2 schools free

on April 19<sup>th</sup> 2018 at Greenside 7-9pm

## Autism - Fruit Salad

To book email [outreach@greenside.herts.sch.uk](mailto:outreach@greenside.herts.sch.uk)

Paul was branded as a “naughty child” at school. He was classically autistic in his early years and gained functional speech around the age of 7 or 8 years old. He went through mainstream school with no additional help or recognition of his autism. Consequently, he did not achieve his academic or his social potential and had very low self-esteem.

After a string of unsuccessful jobs, Paul’s mental health suffered. He was referred to mental health services and misdiagnosed with “Asperger traits with a complex personality”, which did not satisfy Paul. He was subsequently diagnosed by an experienced psychiatrist, who diagnosed him with High Functioning Autism at 24 years old.

Paul wanted to promote autism awareness and help others on the autism spectrum, in the hope that others would not have to suffer as he had. He became a speaker for an autism organisation and has not looked back! Presenting speeches, training and conducting consultancy, Paul has now gone freelance and continues to raise the profile of autism at every opportunity. Having done much research, he is keen to explain the differences between Asperger’s Syndrome & Autism using Autism Consultant Donna Williams’ ‘Fruit Salad’ model.

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Event open to parents and professionals living in Hertfordshire (DSPL2 schools are free). Places strictly limited to 100 after which a waiting list will be employed. Please contact Greenside on [outreach@greenside.herts.sch.uk](mailto:outreach@greenside.herts.sch.uk) to book a place.