



A parents perspective

Welcome

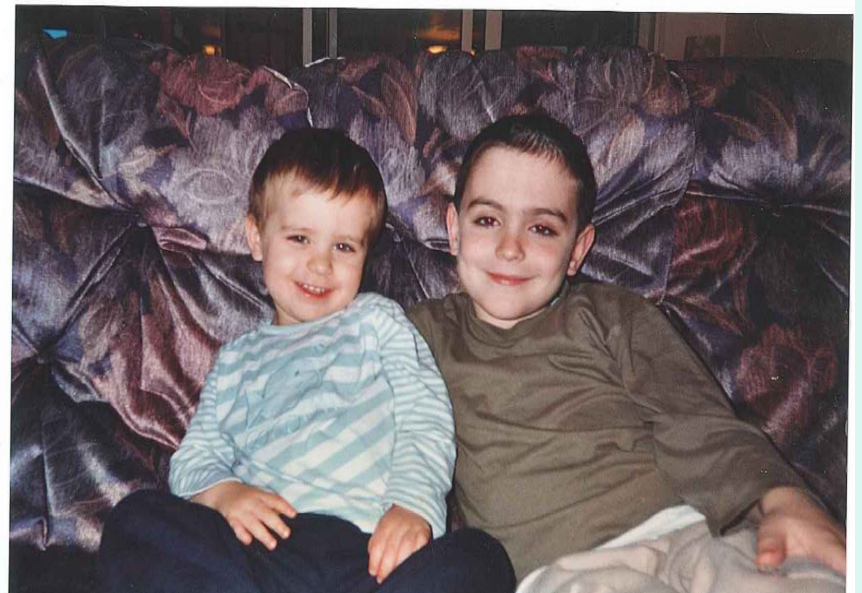
Julie Jones and Adam



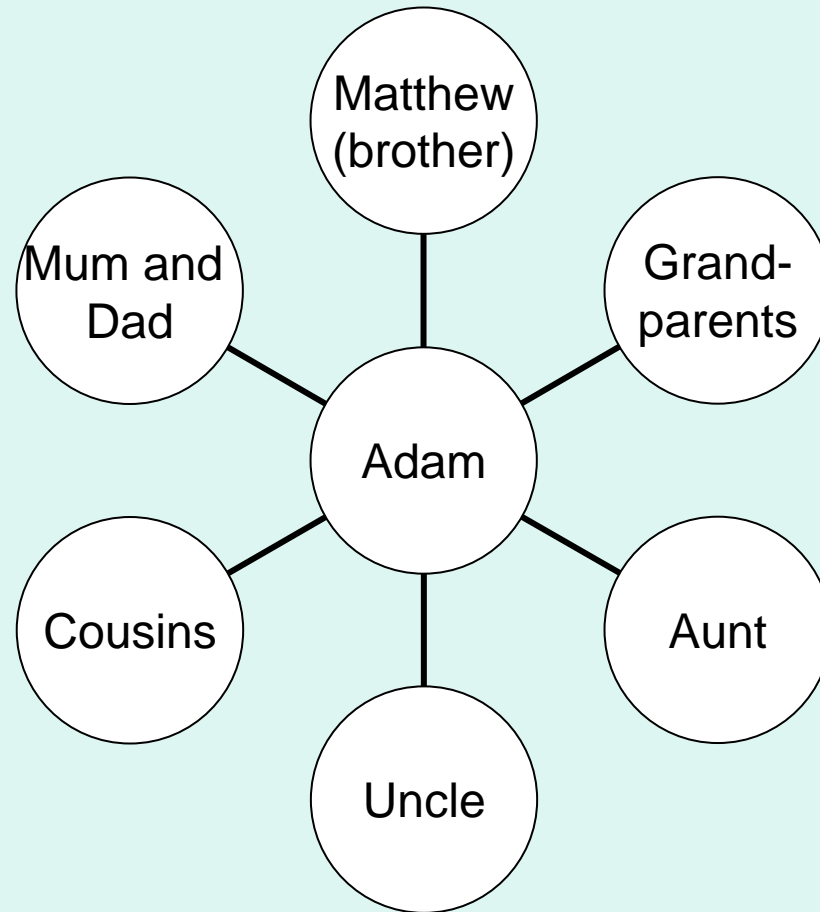
Pictures of Adam



At the beginning



Adam's Family support network



Adam's wider support network

Support workers

Scott Unit Paediatricians

Occupational therapist

Siblings Support

Family Intense
Support Service

GP and Asthma Nurse

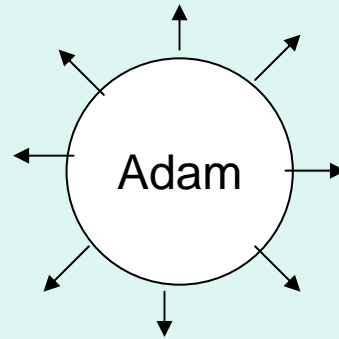
Church

Face 2 Face

Action for Employment
A4E

Early Years Key Worker

Parent Link



School Staff at
Matthew and Adams
School

Speech and
language therapists

Play Therapist

Early Support

Dietician

Physio

Constipation Nurse

Social Services



What I know works well..

- Joined up thinking and partnership working (team around the child/sharing ideas) to solve problems
- When people think of Adam as part of a family and everyone's needs are considered
- Parent involved as equal partners-setting the agenda
- Agreed practical targets and coordinated actions (eg to manage the journey to school)



What I know works well..

- Easy contact and flexible help when you need it
- Good communication and information sharing-key worker scheme is key
- When parents feel empowered and therefore have the ability to be able to access support that is best suited to their child's needs



Challenges - Life plus.....

- Impact on neighbours
- Letter stopping school transport
- Letter from social services finance about direct payments and stockpiling hours for the school holidays
- Home school book and messages about biting etc



Challenges – Life plus

Longer term

- Impact on our working lives and income
- Relationships
- Attitude of ‘Joe Public’ and staff awareness



The Future



Thank you for listening

- Please visit our display stand where myself, my husband and support staff will be happy to provide further information.

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