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# Autism Acceptance Mascot Design Competition

## Community Pack

### Overview

To celebrate World Autism Acceptance Month, we are inviting you to participate in our **Autism Acceptance Mascot Design Competition**.

Anyone **25 years of age or under** can enter however designs must align with our charity's values:

- Respectful representation/ Inclusion and respect
- Collaboration and Community
- Compassion and purpose
- Growth and Empowerment

### Competition Summary

- To design a mascot that will be the face of our charity appearing on our social, media and website.
- Open to anyone 25 years of age or under
- One entry per person
- We need to obtain parent/ guardian consent if child/ young person is under 16 years of age (please see the consent form attached).

## Design Requirements

- Designs can use any materials such as a canvas or a4 paper
- Designs may be hand-drawn or digital
- Please do not use copyrighted characters
- Mascot's can be a person, animal, mythical or made up design - the more creative the better!

## Submission Instructions

### Please submit all entries either to:

Our APS Facebook page @autismpracticalsupport using the hashtag **#APSmascotcompetition** or email entries (with a photo of the design if hand drawn) to **info@autismpracticalsupport.org.uk**.

If you cannot submit electronically, please email us and we can arrange for a time for you to drop it off at our Northwich office.

Each entry must include the following:

- Student name
- Age
- Submit a picture of the design
- Signed Consent form for children under the age of 16

## Judging Criteria

Our judging panel will be made up one child member, one adult member of APS and an APS staff member.

We will be looking for:

- Creativity and originality
- Inclusive and positive theming regarding neurodiversity
- A celebration of autism

## Timeline

Competition Opens **25.02.2026**

Submission Deadline **13.04.2026**

Winners Announced **30.04.2026**

A launch event of the winning mascot **Date TBC**

## Winner

### The winner will receive:

- A certificate
- A Prize - A £20 Amazon Voucher
- The opportunity to attend our launch event
- Their winning design will be included on our website and in APS marketing materials/communications!



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