

# WEATHERFIELD ACADEMY

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

I would like to thank you and the many of you who have visited the Academy for Coffee Afternoon and spoke to me during your visit about the way this academic year has started. The pupils seem settled in their learning across the Academy and we maintain a good level of support around those pupils who find engagement difficult for whatever reason.

During recent observations, the lessons are structured and sequenced and this week the Leaders of English are taking time during learning to look at reading, the quality of teaching and work pathways for our pupils. Governors will monitor the outcomes and challenge wherever needed in work taking place.

## Social Media

Unfortunately, the misuse of social media continues to be a national problem and from time to time our pupils can be drawn into inappropriate use. This can then spill into school and many staff spend a significant amount of their time trying to protect and solve these issues. I continue to ask you to look closely at the devices your child uses and be aware of the types of use they are involved in and groups they are members of.

We have a large range of advice, guidance and links to resources on our website under the Parent/Pupil heading, where E-safety has its own page. We continue to update this area and staff will provide support through lessons in the school.

## Research Opportunity

We have been approached by a trainee Clinical Psychology student at the University of Surrey to help with their studies. If you would like to participate in the research, the attached flyer to this newsletter has the information. Having looked at the details of this, it takes about 15 minutes to carry out this questionnaire.

## Brewers Hill Road Closure

We have been informed that Brewers Hill Road will be closed from the A5/Fire Station end from today for the rest of the week. Please bear in mind that transport will be affected by this.

Finally, please find attached this this newsletter a flyer from Spectrum Community Arts regarding a Quiz night they are holding.

Yours sincerely



Mr J Selmes  
Head Teacher

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**Are you the parent / carer of a young person with a learning disability?  
Do they go to a specialist school?**



You could take part in this 20-minute questionnaire-based study!

We want to know more about the support for parents / carers of children with a learning disability, and their families.



Be entered into a prize draw to win one of the following prizes:

- 1 x £100 Amazon voucher
- 3 x £50 Amazon voucher
- 6 x £25 Amazon voucher



Please use the QR code or website below to complete the questionnaire online:



[https://surreyfahs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0Nd0ciuyLW15qL4](https://surreyfahs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0Nd0ciuyLW15qL4)

**If you are unable to use the computer / internet to complete the questionnaire, please email Gemma Driver, or let your child's school know and we can provide you with paper copies and a free return envelope**

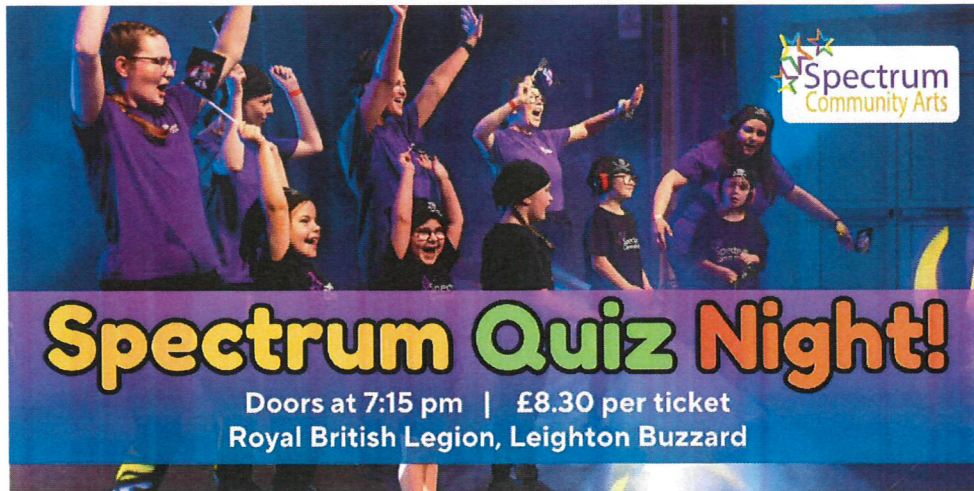
**For more information please contact:** Gemma Driver School of Psychology, University of Surrey  
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Version 2 recruitment poster – 27/03/2023

Study Title: What factors have an impact on parents of children with learning disabilities specifically their experience of support given.

This study has received FEO from the University Ethics Committee

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Hi Jools,

Fundraising is **VITAL** to allow Spectrum to stay open and keep being there for our participants! We are always fundraising in order to keep our sessions going. To do that we **NEED YOUR HELP!**

What is the most fun way to #supportpectrum and help with these efforts..?

**GRAB YOUR MATES AND MAKE A QUIZ TEAM**

**CLICK HERE TO BUY YOUR TICKETS.**

Come and test your knowledge, all for an amazing cause at our quiz night! Join in with your friends and family in a team of 2-8 people and see if you can win amazing prizes like Samsung tablets!

- ✓ Friday 13th of October
- ✓ Doors open at 7:15 p.m., with the first question announced at 7:45 p.m.!
- ✓ Royal British Legion, Bossard Hall, West St, Leighton Buzzard
- ✓ £8.30, 1 ticket per person

There will be loads of fun rounds, the bar will be open and it will be a great evening for everyone!

Why not join us and have a great time doing a good deed?!

**ARE YOU A SPECTRUM VOLUNTEER..?**

If so you can receive discounted tickets for just £4.00

Get in touch to get the promo code - [admin@spectrumca.co.uk](mailto:admin@spectrumca.co.uk)

(or find out about becoming a Spectrum Volunteer at [www.spectrumca.co.uk/volunteering](http://www.spectrumca.co.uk/volunteering) )