WEATHERFIELD ACADEMY

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

Coffee Afternoon

Our next Coffee Afternoon is next Tuesday, 3rd October. This is the second of our Coffee Afternoons for parents/carers this academic year. We have two sessions on this day, please feel free to attend both or just one, if time allows. Staff will meet you at the front of the school and take you to the appropriate room, depending on numbers.

The first session is from 1pm to 2pm with an overview with Mrs Parris, our Autism Lead. Spectrum Arts will be with us from 2pm to 3pm, with Jade Cook, who will answer questions and give a short presentation. There will also be an opportunity for general networking and refreshments.

A further date for your diary will be the Coffee Afternoon on Wednesday 8th November, where staff will be available to discuss Makaton signing and play therapy at Weatherfield, with Clive Black, this again will be from 1pm to 3pm.

Governors' Meetings

I have attended a number of Governor Meetings this week. The Full Governing Body meeting is next Wednesday, but we have had a number of committee meetings this week. I would like to report that the Governors of the Academy are a strong group of volunteers, who give their time freely and hold us to account. There is, in my view, an appropriate mix of challenge and support to ensure that your children get the best possible provision at Weatherfield. I would like to thank everyone involved in the Governors' sub committees and Full Governing Body.

Parents' Evening

Our first Parents' Evening is planned for Wednesday 18th October. This will run from after school into the evening. Appointments will be made with the tutor in the first instance, to see how pupils have settled into their new structures and classes. These are usually relatively short meetings, but there will be a range of other partners, who work with us in the Academy, who will be available in the school hall during the evening. A list of those attending will be made available before the event.

The senior staff of the Academy have set out a programme of monitoring for subjects and activities throughout the year. This will be supported by Governors, so that we gather evidence to ensure a good quality provision continues and is built upon throughout the year. The first half term, we have chosen English as the main focus, we will report back to you with an overview of our findings and continue to do so throughout the academic year.

Yours sincerely

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