



19/10/2020

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As you may know your child was part of a weekly Debating club last year run by Debate Mate at Little Ilford School. The students have been invited to attend this year's virtual launch of the programme on **2nd November 2020**, which will run from **3.45-4.45**. We ask that students attend the launch by **joining from home on a personal device**.

This will be a great opportunity for the students to be re-introduced to debating, and to watch a show debate featuring world class debaters and students that have been involved in the Debate Mate programme before. It will be incredibly valuable and a lot of fun!

The launch will be taking place over the video conferencing application, Zoom, via a Webinar. This means that your child will not be seen on camera, and instead, only the hosts (Debate Mate) and the guest speakers will be visible for the duration of the launch. There will be an opportunity for students attending to ask questions, and this would require them to turn on their microphone to speak. At no point will Debate Mate be turning on students' cameras, but by signing this form, you are giving permission for your child's audio to potentially be heard at some point during the launch event. I will also be virtually attending the event and will be overseeing LIS student involvement.

You can access Debate Mate's safeguarding policy and Online Safety Protocol by visiting: <https://debatemate.org/policies/>. If you have any further queries regarding Debate Mate's safeguarding procedures, please email safeguarding@debatemate.com.

Please complete the consent slip below showing that you understand the above and give permission for your child to attend Debate Mate's virtual launch and ask your child to return it to Ms Hakim.

Please inform your child that to attend the event and access the link they will need to join the Google Classroom using the code: vyftxox.

Thank you very much for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Hakim

Please return this slip by Monday 2nd November 2020.

I give permission / do not give permission for my child to attend Debate Mate's virtual launch.

Child's name: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____