

Raising funds for
Empathy for special children



SAT 4TH APRIL
Mad Hatter's
Spring Ball

7 pm
for
7.30pm



£40
per ticket
tables of 8, 10 or 12

Carriages
@
1 am

EAT ME
3 Course Dinner
DRINK ME
Late Bar
MADNESS
Band
Auction
& More

Netley Hall, Dorrington,
Shrewsbury, SY5 7JZ



Dress to Impress; Black Tie / Cocktail or as Mad as You Like

www.empathyforspecialchildren.org/events



Charity Number: 1151472

Empathy for special children has been providing support and social opportunities for children, young people and their families living with Autism and Hidden Disabilities across Shropshire since 2010.

It is difficult to grow up with a difference; when playing with others is something you have to learn, when the world is a frightening and overwhelming place and when the one thing you need is stability in an ever changing world. It is also difficult to watch a child you love struggle everyday with the simple things in life, to feel like the world is judging you because society finds it difficult to accept what it cannot see.

At any Empathy session, you will find a group of children, young people and families that look like any other. Brought together by their hidden difference, predominately Autism Spectrum Disorders. With no physical indicators, average/above average IQ's and most in mainstream schools, society cannot see the difference and therefore doesn't recognise the challenges. What the world sees is the fear, anxiety, frustration and cries for help communicated through behaviour, which can often be challenging. The result is vulnerability and isolation, lack of confidence and low self-esteem, with consequences ranging from withdrawal from society to mental health conditions, including self-harm. The impact is family-wide, with siblings taking on a carer role across all aspects of their lives. Many families simply do not attempt routine daily tasks, eating meals together, going shopping. A family day out or joining others at an activity is therefore unthinkable for many.

We now support over 160 children and their families across the county and Empathy can be accessed at least once a week, every week of the year. Our Four Core Projects, delivered in 3 locations, provide local, regular, safe and supported opportunities for every member of the family to access tailored support that meets their specific needs.

To celebrate our 10th year of changing lives and to raise some much needed funds to both continue and expand our work The Board of Trustees are hosting The Mad Hatters Spring Ball; A glittering occasion held at the prestigious Netley Hall on Sat 4th April. When 100 + supporters and friends will come together to enjoy a 3 course meal, live band and dancing until 1 am along with some fundraising fun and games.

We hope that you will join us but there are many other ways you can also get involved and help to make this a fabulous evening. Please see the list opposite or get in touch with any offer. Together we can ensure the special children of Shropshire get the recognition, support and opportunity they need to let their colours shine.

Many Thanks

Sam Goddard

CEO - for and on behalf of the special children of Empathy.

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Ways that your business can be involved

BOOK A TABLE AND JOIN US [Tickets](#)

DONATE

- *A Raffle Prize*
- *An Auction Lot*
- *Merchandise for the Goodie Bags*

BECOME A SPONSOR

All of our sponsors and donors will receive

- A link on the events page on the empathy website
- A social media feature post and tagging throughout the event
- Business cards or literature, as supplied by you, in all Goodie Bags.

Spark their CURIOSITY - £50

Sponsor the table decorations on a table and use the space to promote your business on the table centre, table plan and place settings

OPEN ME – £100

Sponsor our raffle with a twist

TAKE ME - £150

Sponsor the goodie bags for the evening to make sure our guests take your business home

DRINK ME - £500

Ensure everyone raises a glass to your business and sponsor all complementary drinks for the evening and receive two complementary tickets at our sponsors table

Or without tickets

Sponsor the arrival drinks - £200

Or

Sponsor 2 bottles of wine on each table £300

GO MAD ! - £ 500

Sponsor our live band and entertainment, get shout outs through the evening and 2 complementary tickets at our sponsors table

EAT ME - £ 1000

Sponsor some very special themed courses to complement the meal and receive 4 complementary tickets to join us at the sponsor table

WIN THEIR HEARTS - £2000

Become our headline sponsor for the evening DRINK ME, EAT ME AND GO MAD with a complementary table of 10