



The Warwick School

Warwick Students Supporting the Community

Co-incident with the year-on year programme of improvements in academic progress here at the Warwick there has been a great expansion in the number of the students who have committed themselves to both improving the school community itself but also to having a major impact for good in the wider community outside the school gates.

We have a strong student Community Action Group which this academic year is leading several fundraising and charitable activities including a whole school target of raising money to benefit deprived children across the world. The group will also be fundraising for some UK based charities. Each year group adopts a charity for which they fund raise throughout their time at The Warwick School.

An additional - and perhaps the most significant - development in this area has been the establishment of The Warwick School's Interact Club. Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people and Interact Clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting. Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of:

- ✚ Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- ✚ Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- ✚ Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- ✚ Advancing international understanding and goodwill

The Interact Club here at The Warwick School was established two years ago with the direct, very willing and enthusiastic support of both Redhill Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Reigate and has carried out several fundraising activities.

It received its formal Rotary Clubs charter from Simon Crowther, Governor of Rotary District 1250 on 23 March in the presence of the then Mayor, Cllr. David Pay. Over this last year, the Club has raised well over £1000.

These socially responsible activities by the students led Ofsted to comment in its report: ***“Complementing the strong sense of community within the school, good partnerships and involvement in local activities help students build up a strong relationship with their local community”.***