



The Warwick School interact club

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£3700 raised to date

In just three years, the Warwick School Interact Club members have raised £3,700 for good causes. Some of the major fundraising events have included £800 raised from a well-supported "Curry Night" in support of an Eye Hospital in Calcutta (India) where the money funded numerous operations to restore sight back to many with diseases of the eye and, more recently, two Quiz evenings, the first raising £500 for Surrey Young Carers the second, £700, split between three charities. Pictured below are younger members of the Club who ran a recent Halloween themed cake sale — raising £65 for the NSPCC.



The Club is closely involved in local community activities (particularly through the support it receives from local Rotary Clubs) and Club members form a regular team to contest the Great Redhill Pancakes Race (organised by Redhill Reigate and Horley Breakfast Club) - see picture left

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people aged 12 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Some aims for interact Club members are :

- 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 school's Interact Club (which received its formal charter in March 2011) is well supported by Rotary Clubs, two representatives from whom attend the Interact Club meetings. Club membership is for Warwick students in Year 8 (12—13 year olds) up to Year 11 (15 —16 year olds). Club meetings are run by the student members who decide on all of the activities and events that they want to run — as well as the charities they wish the Club to support.

Club meetings take place every two weeks (during school lunchtimes).



Running several fundraising activities at the School Christmas Fair : £64 donated to Help for Heroes

Here's pictures of just a few of the things that the Club has done recently



Selling refreshments at the recent annual Warwick Community Science Lecture : £70 donated to The Rainbow Trust



A Mother's Day Themed Quiz Evening : £700 donated mainly to Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital and to Richards House Children's Hospice



Publicising the Halloween themed Cake Sale : £65 donated to the NSPCC

Donations in the last year include to ;
UNICEF
Salvation Army Winter Shelter Project
Comic Relief/Red Nose Day
Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital,
Richard House Children's Hospice
Practical Action
NSPCC
Help for Heroes
Rainbow Trust



Handing over a cheque for £500 to Surrey Young Carers

Just a few of the reasons to Join the Interact Club :

- It's good fun
- We only meet every two weeks (at lunchtime) - easy, everyone can do that (you can even bring sandwiches)
- You will mix with other like-minded students from other year groups and make new friends.
- When you get involved in running the Club and in organising activities you will learn some great (and very valuable) employability skills (look really good on your CV)
- What you do makes a difference in the world — it becomes a better place as a result of what you do !
- It gives you more self-confidence
- Most Interact members go on to become leaders in the school : Prefect Team.



Join us :
 Meet every Week 2, Room C6, lunchtime.
 See Mr Hopkins to get a pass to get to the front of the lunch queue — or bring a packed lunch !