



10 October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

'Brannel Brigade' Community Service Projects

Over the past year we have seen our students develop their personal learning attributes. We have seen them become more resilient and able to learn from mistakes. They have become more focused on their 'fantastic future' and know how to get there. They are becoming better learners and are able to revise and solve problems. Thank you for the support you have given us.

All this work is critical to helping our students become great citizens and future employees and will continue with urgency. This week we are also giving students a challenge to take the things they have learned for themselves and do things to help others.

We are calling this project our Brannel Brigade. We are asking all our students to find things that they can do to help at home and in the community. This might range from doing more chores at home to helping neighbours and community organisations. They might work on their own or in groups.

We are challenging our students to go beyond their current expectations and comfort zone. To learn the benefits of doing good for others and to feel valued in the community.

For this project to be successful we are asking for your help. Please talk to your child and ask what it is they would like to do, discussing with them how you might be able to help them. We have stressed the importance of being safe and not putting themselves at risk. Your help with this will be much appreciated.

Students have been asked to record what they do, so that we can keep track on the different and individual good they have done over a period of time. We hope to be able to showcase many of the projects they undertake.

At Easter, we will be choosing two students from each House, those who have made a significant contribution and who have gone beyond their normal limits, for a special reward trip to visit Europe next Summer. These students will have the opportunity to visit various sites which represent sacrifice and service.

Thank you for support with this project. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or ideas for projects. Miss Pedlar (lpedlar@brannel.com) is our community link and point of contact.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Edmonds
Headteacher