

Press Release

St Margaret's College, Christchurch wins three of ten ASB Community Enterprise project implementation awards

Year 7 and 8 students from St Margaret's College, Christchurch have been awarded three of ten ASB Community Enterprise implementation awards for their outstanding social enterprise projects planned for Canterbury Plunket, Cholmondeley Children's Home and Mainly Music.

ASB Community Enterprise is an exciting new social enterprise initiative for intermediate aged students, offered nationwide by **Young Enterprise Trust**, leaders in enterprise and financial education. **ASB is the principal supporter of the programme.**

Students form teams (student companies), and plan a project for a not-for-profit or charitable organisation that will benefit their local community. They enter their project in a national competition, where the top ten projects are awarded the funds to implement their project.

St Margaret's College team's business plans were presented in a very professional manner and their research and partnership with their beneficiary organisations was outstanding," said Sharron Buer, National Director, Primary Enterprise and Financial Education (Young Enterprise Trust).

The St Margaret's College projects will benefit the local community in a variety of ways. The projects include care bags for children visiting Cholmondeley Children's Home (a community respite facility); babysitters' packs to help develop their babysitting skills, and inspirational and fun resources to encourage children and parents to participate in Mainly Music's classes.

Well done to St Margaret's College teachers Natasha Leith and Shirley Smith, and their ASB Community Enterprise Teams:

Team Plunket - Iris Keizer, Monique Arthur, Bridget Beadle and Olivia Mendonca

Team Cholmondeley - Ni-Sha Ho, Sabine Keenan, Alice Harris, Frankie Harris and Taylah Eder

Team Mainly Music - Courtney White, Alice Whittle, Sonia Kumar and Fatimah Alqassab