

Richmond School & Sixth Form College



Press Release

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TITLE: Sponsored Stretcher Carry for Help for Heroes

A group of Sixth Form students from Richmond School put together an 8-man team and carried a man on a stretcher from Vimy Barracks, Catterick Garrison to Richmond School on Tuesday 22nd March in order to raise money for Help for Heroes. They set off at 11am, accompanied by WO2 David Senior and SSgt Steve Banks, and arrived through the gates of the school at around 1.15pm to be met by WO1 (GSM) Ian McMillan.

Richmond School students are very committed to raising money for Help for Heroes, not only as it is an extremely worthy cause, but also because of the amount of students with parents in the military who attend the school, and staff who are either ex-military or whose partners are currently serving.

Headteacher, Ian Robertson, commended the students for taking on the challenge: 'This was a tremendous idea and brave effort from our BTEC Sports students who wish to support Help for Heroes. Last year they embarked on a 24 hour sponsored run outside the Tesco store in Catterick Garrison and this year they once again demonstrated their commitment to good causes by organising the Stretcher Run. I am very proud of the students involved'.

Students who took part in the stretcher carry are Charlie Young, Anthony Donohue, Kieron Colton, Charley Purkiss-McEndoo, Ed Ridley, Kyle Heaney, Tom Hodgson, Ryan Howe and James Donaldson, who played the injured soldier. The boys say: 'We did this to help raise money for Help for Heroes. This is a charity which takes into consideration the number of those who risk their lives for our future. We wanted to help raise awareness and money in order to support members of the Armed Forces who have been wounded in the service of their country, and make the difference to their lives that they deserve.'

The students are very grateful to everyone that supported them along the way and are proud to announce that they've raised £1,500 for a very worthy cause.

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2. Richmond School is a mixed 11-19 comprehensive community school maintained by North Yorkshire County Council. The Local Education Authority is responsible for all admissions to the school and the Headteacher is Mr I Robertson.

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