

## Astwood Bank & District Welfare Association

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To the Head teacher

On behalf of the Astwood Bank Welfare Association I would like to make you aware of our thanks to one of your pupils, Mr George Brind.

George delivers the local paper to many elderly people on Astwood Bank, and we believe he keeps his eye open for any problems. He delivers to my mother, who is 86 years old this year and always makes sure he speaks to her.

The welfare association has been a local charity and has now reached its 50<sup>th</sup> year, originally it put on an Easter lunch for pensioners, at what was the old Ridgeway Secondary Modern School. When the members became too old to travel the committee changed their ideas and now gives £10 to every member over 65 years, who are registered with us, at Christmas, now over 520 people. The association pays for 380 copies of the Astwood Bank News, and any other funds raised goes to purchasing walkers, wheelchairs and other equipment to keep people safe in their own homes, at no weekly charge. We have to raise over £6000 per year and all money is spent within the village.

At our tombola , although he could not attend George gave us a donation, after finding out what it was for he made the decision to raise money for the Association by doing a sponsored run.

He is a credit to his family and to Tudor Grange academy and we wish there were more youngsters like him. We believe he is doing his Duke of Edinburgh's award and feel that what he does for the village should be recognized for this award and if your Academy has a good citizen award should be nominated as well.

Yours sincerely

K. Drinkwater  
Hon. Secretary