

DANNY CHADWICK

Name: Danny Chadwick

Age: 13

Where I Live: Denbighshire



“I used to have problems at school and spent lots of time in the quiet room for being naughty. But through social action I have turned myself around and my behaviour at school has improved a lot.”

MY SOCIAL ACTION JOURNEY

I really enjoy volunteering. I've been part of North Wales Young Dragons/Dreigiau Ifanc Gogledd Cymru for two-and-a-half years now, which means I get to work with uniformed youth organisations across Wales. I chose to be a Young Firefighter in Prestatyn, helping with fundraising, litter picks, marshalling, meeting and greeting, helping at events, bag-packing, and supporting environmentally-friendly projects. I've taken part in 42 community activities since I started, spending around 190 hours helping the Young Dragons raise an amazing £36,000 for charities such as St Kentigern Hospice, Erbs Palsy, and the St Asaph Flood Relief Appeal.

Through Young Dragons I met my friend Harriet, and we help each other with our volunteering. It makes volunteering a lot of fun and has inspired me to want to do more to help other people.

My social action has taken me all over North Wales, built on my confidence and is making me a better person. A young person the community can be proud of.

KEY CHARACTER QUALITIES AND VIRTUES

Community Awareness | Friendship

The adult who has most inspired me to get involved in social action is ...

Gerry Frobisher MBE, Gwirvol Youth Volunteering Advisor for Denbighshire.

MY SOCIAL ACTION PLEDGE

#iwill continue to serve my community through my volunteering and inspire others to make a difference by the example, commitment and enthusiasm I show in helping others.