United for South Korea

On the 16 April 2014, the MV Sewol ferry capsized on its journey to Jeju. The majority of the 476 passengers were high school students from Danwon High School in Ansan City, South Korea. *Tragically, almost 200 passengers lost their lives.* The search is still ongoing for many South Koreans that are still missing.

The students and community at Danwon High School are currently in a state of mourning for their fellow classmates, who were taken far too young. These students were just like us. *Imagine if this happened to our school.*

United For South Korea, an initiative started by students at James Ruse AHS, implores all schools to gather messages of support and hope from the students in their school, addressed to Danwon High in either English and/or Korean and compile them into a book which will be presented to the Korean Consul-General, His Excellency Mr. Whie-Jin Lee, on Friday 13th, June. In such a difficult time, it’s not about sending money, or resources, but just letting them know that the world is behind them and wanting to give them strength.

So this is what we are going to do.

*In Week 6 and Week 7* there will be a few ways in which students and teachers can contribute messages for *the Burwood Girls High School book* that will be sent to Danwon High:

- Certain classes will be given the opportunity to write messages during subjects.
- SRC representative will be going around during recess and lunch to collect signatures and allow students to write messages.
- There will be a stall set up outside the clay rooms some lunchtimes where students will have the opportunity to write messages, provide signatures or illustrations for the book.

This is an extremely important and worthy cause, and it would be fantastic and greatly appreciated if all of our students and staff at Burwood Girls could participate in this initiative!

*“NOT FOR OURSELVES ALONE”*