## Family Newsletter

## Dear Parent:

A caring person is considerate, kind, compassionate and generous. A caring person takes into account how decisions, words and actions are likely to affect other people. Remind your child that they have the power to brighten another person's day through a simple act of kindness.

## Ideas to Do as a Family

- Participate in a community service project with your child, which allows the family to show kindness towards others.
- As a family, discuss what you could do to show that you care about the environment, such as cleaning up a street, picking up trash, or starting a recycling program.
- As a family, identify things that you can do together to make a difference in someone else's life.
- Catch your child being kind and acknowledge how important that behavior is. This is a simple opportunity to reinforce how important being kind is in your family.
- Watch a television program together and talk about the various ways in which the characters acted uncaring or caring towards one another.
- Remember that the best teaching tool is to always model the behavior
  you want your child to learn. You are powerful role model for your
  child. If you are kind and helpful to other people that is what your child
  will learn from you.



**Character Education: Elementary** 



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## **Character Check**

- Do your friends encourage your to do right?
- In what ways do you feel you are a good friend to others?
- What are three ways you can become a better person to the people in your life?
- Do you show compassion and concern for others?
- How do you show the qualities of a good friend to people in your life?
- Do you show kindness for people who are different from you? How?

Once a week at a family meal, have family members tell about one thing they enjoy about one person in their life.

When we do good things, our self-respect grows. ~ Abraham J. Heschel