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Week One

"REAL GENEROSITY IS DOING SOMETHING NICE FOR SOMEONE WHO WILL NEVER FIND OUT."

- FRANK A. CLARK -

Week Two

"THERE IS NO EXERCISE BETTER FOR THE HEART THAN REACHING DOWN AND LIFTING PEOPLE UP."

- JOHN HOLMES -

Week Three

"THE BEST WAY TO FIND YOURSELF IS TO LOSE YOURSELF IN THE SERVICE OF OTHERS."

- GANDHI -

Week Four

"NO ONE CAN HELP EVERYONE, BUT EVERYONE CAN HELP SOMEONE."

- UNKNOWN -

PARENT/GUARDIAN LETTER



Dear parents and/or guardians...

This month we are learning about generosity. Generosity is the act of giving, serving or helping others. Being generous helps us feel good about ourselves by helping make the lives of other people easier. During our classes, we are reinforcing this lesson by reminding our students to be generous in their behavior toward one another. Taking turns, waiting patiently, and offering encouragement and praise are some of the ways we will show a generous spirit this month.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Be generous yourself. To help our kids learn how to be generous, we as parents should model this behavior in the way we live our lives. Let your children see you give your time, talent and money whether it be a donation to your church, a meal to a friend or donating clothes to a charity.
- Get involved in a family service project. You can let your children decide the project so they are more invested in it from the beginning. They can choose to help bring food to a food bank, raise money for a specific cause or charity or even help to sponsor a child overseas.

- Help your kids to be thankful for what they have. Instill and reward gratitude not greed. Have your children choose toys they do not play with anymore or clothes that no longer fit them and take them to a drop off location to donate to those in need.
- When your children give you a gift, be sure to show appreciation. Your reaction will help them feel encouraged, appreciated and recognized.
- Talk to your children about why you give back. When our children see us do something, there is a good chance they want to know why. Use everyday opportunities to talk about how others have been generous to you and your family and how you are "paying it forward".
- Teach your children how to use their money. Give first, save second and spend third. Helping our children understand this will start them on a great path and will help them learn to manage their finances in the future.

Generosity

GENEROSITY IS THE WILLINGNESS TO GIVE AND TO SHARE YOUR TIME OR RESOURCES WITHOUT AN EXPECTATION THAT A GIFT WILL BE RETURNED.

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