

*Pastoral
Theme:
Community*

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Community - A community is a social group whose members have something in common, such as shared government, geographic location, culture or heritage. For example, we are a school community as we all go to the same school.

What do communities do?

Different types of communities can do different things. For example, we celebrate Christmas in Christian Religious Communities. In our school, there are many things we do as a community such as Aspire Day, Sports Day, and Share Day.



Common Examples of Communities:

- Religious Communities
- Sports Communities
- Local Communities
- Business Communities



What makes a good community?

A good community is a safe, confident, prosperous and happy place. It promotes positivity and is not hateful. It is welcoming and helps its members to grow a sense of belonging. We should thrive for a better community!

WONDERFUL WAYS FOR KIDS TO GIVE BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY

DONATE CLOTHES



A great way to teach to your children about charitable giving is from the simple act of donating clothes. Spend some time as a family going through closets and donating clothes you haven't worn in a while.

PLANT A TREE (OR MORE)

We love the idea of supporting the environment, and so will your kids. Spend some time planting a few trees in your backyard or even on their school's grounds (if you get permission).



DONATE UNUSED/UNWANTED TOYS



Another great donation area for kids apart from clothing is in the realm of toys. Just like clothing donations help out those in need and offer a simple way to give back to the community, donating toys will hit a little closer to home for the kiddos.

GIVE BOOKS TO LOCAL HOSPITALS OR DAYCARES

Have your children go through their books and decide which ones they don't think they'll read again. Then you and your children can bring those books to a local hospital or daycare.



START A SCHOOL RECYCLING PROGRAM



Your kids learn a lot at school, so why not help them teach others by starting a school recycling program. This is a great project to have them do with other kids their age, and it will help them see the power in giving back as a group.

MAKE HANDMADE CARDS

A great way for younger kids to give back to the community as well is to create handmade cards. These cards can come in many forms: have them write thank-you cards for local servicemen or get well soon cards for hospital residents.



Ways To Help Our Community:

- Pick up rubbish wherever you go.
- Donate unwanted toys.
- Help with yard work for elderly or unwell neighbours.
- Volunteer at community events.
- Help bake cookies to give to local service people and volunteers.
- Plant a tree.
- Make handmade cards for kids in hospital.
- Participate in fundraisers and charity events.
- Read to younger kids at your local library.
- Donate handmade gifts to a charity for them to sell.
- Volunteer at your local animal shelter.
- Create bird feeders to attract wildlife.
- Donate clothes and accessories that no longer fit.
- Do something kind for a random community member.
- Play card or board games with residents at a nursing home.
- Organise a beach or park clean up with friends and family.
- Hold a collection drive for the less fortunate.
- Sell unwanted items and give the profits to a needy cause.



THANK YOU