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Stillwater School Gives Thanks to Local Fire Department

Stillwater Township School Student Council invited members of the Stillwater Township Fire Department to attend their November monthly meeting. The Student Council has been fundraising to purchase gift cards for the fire department as a token of appreciation for all that the fire department has done not only for their town, but also for their school. The school particularly was thankful for all that the fire department did around town during the late winter storm in March of last school year.

Hudson Maxim Students Fill the Buckets

On November 1st, students and staff of Hudson Maxim School started their Bucket Filling Character Education Program with a pep rally.

Students and staff dressed in "I am a Bucket Filler" t-shirts in a rainbow of colors. The school was able to purchase these t-shirts with grant funding from a Hopatcong Education Association PRIDE Grant.

This year, students and staff will be "Connecting with Character," using the Character Counts Six Pillars Program for Character Education in conjunction with the school-wide theme of Bucket Filling.

Each color of t-shirt represents one of the Six Pillars of Character. Students will learn what each pillar means, what it looks like and what it sounds like through classroom lessons. Students will then have an opportunity to demonstrate the pillars.



Teen Spreads Kindness Through Headwear Business

Jayce McGuirk is only 13, but he already wears a lot of hats— both literally and figuratively speaking.

He's the CEO, designer, production manager, packer and shipper of a company he and his family run from their Gilbert, Arizona home— called Random Hats of Kindness.



"We wear hats every single day, and we really want to spread kindness so we thought what better way to put kind messages on hats?" Jayce said.

He and his brother, came up with the concepts, designs and slogans.

The boys sell their hats online and set up shops at events. 10 percent of all the profits goes to an anti-bullying campaign, nobully.org.

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The Great Kindness Challenge

We challenge you to perform as many kind deeds as you can in one day. Using this list, check off your acts of kindness as you go. Have fun!



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Acts of Kindness Checklist

- ☺ Smile at 25 people
- ☺ Take a treat to your local firefighters
- ☺ Do a household chore without being asked
- ☺ Pick up trash in your neighborhood
- ☺ Take a board game to play at a senior center
- ☺ Read a book to a younger child--
- ☺ Say "Thank you" to a police officer
- ☺ Entertain someone with a happy dance
- ☺ Help an elder cross the street
- ☺ Push someone on a swing
- ☺ Pick up trash at the water's edge
- ☺ Make a new friend
- ☺ Write a thank you note to your mail carrier
- ☺ Walk a dog (or cat!)
- ☺ Plant a tree
- ☺ Say "Hi" to a homeless person
- ☺ Learn to say "Thank you" in a new language
- ☺ Help clean up a park
- ☺ Say "Thank you" to a lifeguard
- ☺ Write a love note to your caretaker
- ☺ Paint a picture and give it to someone
- ☺ Host a lemonade stand and donate proceeds
- ☺ Recycle your trash
- ☺ Hug your sibling or friend
- ☺ Cut out 10 hearts and leave them on 10 cars
- ☺ Donate needed school supplies
- ☺ Thank a bus driver
- ☺ Leave a flower on someone's doorstep
- ☺ Donate something to an animal shelter
- ☺ Call your grandma or grandpa
- ☺ Walk or bike instead of driving
- ☺ Make a thank you card for your librarians
- ☺ Thank an elected official for their service
- ☺ Say "Good Morning" to 5 people
- ☺ Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack
- ☺ Deliver a special gift to a child in the hospital
- ☺ Draw a heart in the sand or dirt
- ☺ Send a card or gift to a military family
- ☺ Make a wish for a child in another country
- ☺ Donate food to a food bank
- ☺ Hold the door open for someone
- ☺ Write a happy message with sidewalk chalk
- ☺ Leave a painted rock on a friend's doorstep
- ☺ Make sack lunches for the homeless
- ☺ Compliment 5 people
- ☺ Make and display a "Kindness Matters" sign
- ☺ Call a radio station and wish them a nice day
- ☺ Sweep the sidewalk on your street
- ☺ Help plant a garden
- ☺ Create your own kind deed

Please visit our website to share your stories, photos and videos of kind deeds.

www.greatkindnesschallenge.org

