

Dear Families/Caregivers,

Friendships are a basic human need that contribute to a student's moral, mental, and social development. Friends enrich our lives and help us learn more about ourselves.

We all need friends! We have been learning about friendship. We learned the traits of a good friend, which include being:

- Fun,
- Accepting,
- Encouraging,
- Kind and helpful,
- Understanding,
- Honest, and
- Loyal.

Here are a couple of activities to help your child exemplify the traits of a good friend:

- Make sure that your child has lots of opportunities to develop friendships. Consider encouraging your child to participate in clubs or teams to help build friendships.
- Talk to your child about his or her friendships. Ask him or her what he or she looks for in a friend. Ask him or her how he or she embodies the qualities that make a good friend.
- Read books about friendship with your child. As you read, talk about how the characters are or are not being good friends.

Sincerely,

Your Child's Teacher