Assembly Script

This assembly script acts as a guide to delivering an assembly about friendships.

This assembly resource is designed to help you talk about promoting happy and healthy relationships as part of Kidscape’s Friendship Friday.

There is a PowerPoint that compliments the assembly script, please do adapt this script and the PowerPoint to best suit your pupils and your school.

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Welcome!

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Today is Friendship Friday and the focus is promoting happy and healthy relationships.

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Today in assembly we’ll be talking about what friendship really is, what makes a really good friendships and how we can do more to treat our friends and the people around us with respect and kindness.

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Firstly, thinking about your favourite books, films and TV shows – can anyone give me an example of good friendships?

*Take suggestions from your pupils – if they are confident enough to, ask them for an explanation as to why they have picked that friendship.*

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Those were all great suggestions!

The teachers also had a think about our favourites…

We picked Buzz and Woody from Toy Story, Timon and Pumbaa from The Lion King and Nemo and Dory from Finding Nemo!

*Give a small explanation about why you chose those friendships as your favourites. For example: Nemo and Dory always treat each other with respect and kindness even though they are different. And, Buzz and Woody have a lot of ups and downs but learn that they have to communicate and empathise to make their friendship work.*

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Thinking about the friendships we have just talked about, what do you think are the biggest qualities good friends have?

*Take suggestions from your pupils – if they are confident enough to, ask them for an explanation as to why they have picked that quality.*

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True friends have lots of different qualities, and we have identified quite a few! The big ones that come up time and time again are: listening to each other, making each other feel good about themselves, being there for each other when you need them to be, looking after each other and encouraging each other to achieve their best.

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Sometimes it is difficult being friends.

Just like a lot of the examples of friendships we talked about earlier, every friendship can have their ups and downs.

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However, there are always things we can do to make it easier to be friends.

Firstly, we should always remember that we need to work at our friendships! Buzz and Woody found this a lot in the Toy Story movies – sometimes when they forgot to communicate or empathise with each other their friendship suffered as a result.

Secondly, we should remember that not everyone will always be suited to be friends with each other but we should always be kind and respectful to the people around us.

Finally, if there is someone that isn’t being respectful to you and is making you feel unhappy or unsafe you should always speak to a teacher or tootoot.

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Let’s have a moment of reflection, think about the things we have learned about friendships today. How will you be a good friend this week?

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Thank you for listening! Does anyone have any questions about the topic we covered today? Or about tootoot?