Friendship Friday Assembly Script

Friendship Friday was started by the charity Kidscape to highlight the role we all play in creating kind and welcoming community. This assembly was created to encourage pupils to think about how they can use friendship and kindness to make their school a better place.

This assembly can easily be adapted to use any time of the year.

**Top Tip ⭐️**

Set up a question on tootmood for pupils to answer before or after the assembly and get simple feedback about how the whole school are feeling. Check out ‘Tootmood Questions for Anti-Bullying Week’ on the resource page for inspiration.

**Slide 1**

Welcome to Friendship Friday!

Friendship Friday was created by the charity Kidscape. The day is all about making the world a kinder and friendlier place.

Today we are going to learn about some unlikely friendships, and what we can learn from them.

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Unlikely friendships

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Albert the sheep and Themba the elephant.

They live in a wildlife sanctuary in Africa. The elephant was orphaned and was feeling very lonely. The pair met at the sanctuary and soon became best friends.

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Douglas the pug and KFC the chick.

They live in the Philippines. They were introduced to each other then only weeks old and are now inseparable.

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The cat and the lynx from Russia.

The lynx cub was abandoned by its own mother at a Zoo in Russia. One of the zookeepers had a cat with kittens at home, and decided to introduce them. The cat adopted the lynx, although the lynx eventually grew to twice the size of the cat.

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Fred the Labrador and Dennis the Duckling

Dennis the duckling was found all alone and was rescued by Fred the Labrador and his owner Jeremy.

Dennis and Fred have been buddies ever since. Fred apparently has a big heart, because it’s not the first time he’s helped take care of an orphan – he once adopted a baby deer as well.

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What can we learn from these unlikely friendships?

*Ask pupils to raise their hand’s if they have an idea.*

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It’s what’s on the inside that counts.

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Don’t judge a book by it’s cover.

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Treat everyone with kindness.

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But what can we do to make the world a happier and kinder place?

* Play with someone you don’t normally play with at break time
* Smile and say hello to someone
* Give your classmate a compliment
* Write a thank you note
* Draw a picture for a friend or family
* Help your classmate with their work
* Hold the door open for someone
* If you are worried about a friend, you can help them by sending a message on **tootoot**

*Ask pupils to raise their hands with anymore suggestions.*

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*Ask pupils to close their eyes and take a moment and think about what they have just learnt about friendship and kindness.*

*Finally, ask pupils to think of one thing they are going to do today to make [insert school name] a happier and kinder place.*