“HELPING KIDS BY HELPING EACH OTHER” is a program started by Kelly Mikesell to help students foster a classroom community of caring and compassion, and build awareness of other children in need.

This program is simple to implement... but has a far reaching effect because you get to choose what charities to support through your classroom.

To participate all you need are a few things.

1) First, designate part of your classroom for a poster or bulletin board to support the project.

2) Next, print the files that go with the project (signs, slips and parent letters).

3) Then, explain that your classroom is now a group of children who will help each other, and through that help you will raise money for children in need.

4) Finally, register your class at http://www.elementary-teacher-resources.com/helping_kids_project.html and watch your classroom grow in compassion and love.
As the teacher you have a few duties:

1) Model, model, model kind words and actions with your children.

2) “Catch” children using kind words and actions and write them on the slips. Teach the children how to notice these behaviors in their classmates and write them down, too!

3) Decide what type of donation you are willing to make in your classroom’s name. I do $0.10 per slip. Last year this project cost me about $35.00, but it gave back tenfold in amazing student growth.

4) Periodically update your classroom page at:

   http://www.elementary-teacher-resources.com/helping_kids_project.html

That’s pretty much it.

If you have questions, email info@elementary-teacher-resources.com and I’ll help you out!  

[Signature]

Mrs. McKeel
Dear Parents,

“Helping Kids by Helping Each Other” is a program started by a First Grade teacher named Kelly Mikesell to help students foster a classroom community of caring and compassion - and build awareness of other children in need.

We are so excited to be part of this fun project.

In class we will be helping each other through kind actions and words, writing down what we see, and making a $____ donation to _________________________________ charity each time we help!

Some examples are: helping a sad friend, carrying books for a teacher, telling someone why they are a good friend, using our words to make people feel good inside.

If you would like to help, you can support our kind actions and words by modeling them at home. Ask your child what kind actions and words they use, and reinforce how this helps others.

You can track our progress at:

http://www.elementary-teacher-resources.com/_________________________________________________

Thank you for your support!
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