

A group of eight diverse cartoon children are smiling and standing together. In the front row, from left to right: a boy with brown hair wearing a red and yellow baseball cap, a blue long-sleeved shirt, and blue pants; a girl with dark skin and glasses wearing a yellow shirt with a red lion logo and a brown backpack; a girl with brown hair wearing a light blue shirt and dark blue shorts; a girl with red hair wearing a purple shirt; and a girl with dark skin and curly hair wearing a yellow and white striped shirt and green pants. In the back row, from left to right: a boy with light skin and blue eyes wearing a green tank top; a boy with dark skin and brown eyes wearing a blue tank top; and a girl with dark skin and curly hair wearing a yellow shirt. The background is white with a few colorful circles (blue, yellow, green) in the corners.

# Be An Open-Minded Super Friend!

Building Relationships & Kindness

# What is an Open Mind?

## Closed Mind

A closed mind is like a locked door.

- ✗ Says "Eww" to new things
- ✗ Only plays with same friends
- ✗ Thinks "My way is best"

## Open Mind

An open mind is like a wide open window!

- ✓ Says "I'll try it!"
- ✓ Plays with everyone
- ✓ Asks "Can you teach me?"

# Trying New Things

## Adventure Awaits!

Being open-minded means trying stuff you've never done before. It might seem scary at first, but you might find your new favorite thing!

Taste a new fruit 🥝

Play a new game 🎲

Listen to a new song 🎵



# 3 Signs of an Open Mind



## Curiosity

Asking questions instead of judging. Wondering "Why?" and "How?"



## Listening

Using your ears to really hear what others are saying.



## Respect

Knowing that being different is what makes us special.



# Building Relationship Skills

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How to be the best friend you can  
be!

# The Superpower of Empathy



## Walking in Their Shoes

Empathy is a big word that means "feeling what someone else feels."

If your friend is sad, you understand why they are sad. Being open-minded helps us care about how others feel, even if we feel differently.



# Sharing & Taking Turns

## Fair Play is Fun Play

Good relationships are built on sharing. Whether it's toys, crayons, or time to speak, taking turns shows you respect the other person.

When we open our hands to share, we open our hearts to friendship!



# Let's Watch a Story!

## Video Time 🎬

We are going to watch a short clip about what it means to be open minded.

### Get Ready for:

What it means to be closed minded vs open minded?

Who wants to play a game at the end to review?





# Friendship Challenge

# 3

Steps to Try Today

## Make a New Connection

**Step 1: Smile & Say Hi!** Find someone you don't usually play with.

**Step 2: Ask a Question.** "What is your favorite game?" or "Do you like dinosaurs?"

**Step 3: Listen.** Really listen to their answer with an open mind.


# Remember To...



**Listen** with care



**Love** and be kind

 Illustration of a lightbulb

**Learn** new things

# Questions?

Thank you for being open-minded listeners!

★ You are all Super Friends! ★

# This Month:

## 2025 P.S. 340 HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK!

Let's come together to spread our 340 HOLIDAY CHEER!

Wednesday, December 17th - Tuesday, December 23rd

Wednesday, December 17	Thursday, December 18	Friday, December 19	Monday, December 22	Tuesday, December 23
<b>Holiday Headgear, Hair or Socks Day</b> 	<b>Winter/ Holiday Character</b> 	<b>Candy Cane Lane</b> 	<b>Silly Sweater Day</b> 	<b>Polar Express Pajama Day</b> 
<b>Wear holiday hats, headbands, hair styles or socks!</b>	<b>Dress up as your favorite winter or holiday character. Ideas: snowman, elf, santa, Elsa</b>	<b>Wear red, white, or candy canes!</b>	<b>Show off your holiday spirit by wearing a silly or festive shirt.</b>	<b>Wear your favorite cozy or holiday pajamas</b>

# Student of the Month for November : Citizenship





# DECEMBER CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE WORLD

## A Tapestry of Traditions & Light



**Hanukkah:**  
Festival of Lights,  
celebrating the  
miracle of the oil.



**Christmas:**  
Commemorating  
the birth of Jesus;  
a time for giving  
and family.



**Kwanzaa:**  
(African-American/  
Pan-African)  
Celebrating  
African heritage,  
family, and  
community  
principles.



**Las Posadas:**  
Re-enacting  
Mary & Joseph's  
search for  
shelter.



**Yule:**  
Celebrating the  
winter solstice  
and the return of  
the sun.



**Bodhi Day:**  
Commemorating  
the Buddha's  
enlightenment.

Embracing Diversity and Shared Joy in the Winter Season. 🌍❤️

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