

Johnsview Village School Spirit

This past month the Grade 3 students at Johnsview Village Public School enthusiastically organized and oversaw a school wide-loonie drive as part of our fundraising effort for United Way. The Grade 3 students came up with the idea to have the whole school participate in the drive with the incentive of a pizza lunch for the class who brings in the most donations. Upon researching the initiatives of the United Way and learning about all those who United Way helps, the class quickly changed their motivation for the fundraiser. The students came up with the motto that the real winners are not those who bring in the most money, but rather, those who are able to benefit and have their lives changed as a result of the generosity and efforts of United Way and its supporters. The students eagerly began making posters to promote this idea and our fundraising initiative, which were posted all around the school. The students and I created classroom bar graphs that the teachers could fill in with their classes to monitor their donations. This became a highlight of the class' math programs for the two weeks that it was implemented. Moreover, the Grade 3 students discussed effective presentation skills and they circulated through the classrooms over the two weeks, monitoring the project, and maintaining the excitement of the event. The response was overwhelming. With individual classes bringing in over two hundred dollars, the spirit of the program really inspired the students to consider how fortunate many of them are. This in turn really drove them to want to help others as much as possible, and we are proud of what Johnsview has accomplished. We are thrilled to be able to contribute and hope to make a difference.

Thank you for allowing us this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Ms. Basian and the entire Grade 3 Class:

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Jameson, Sanaz, Aliyah, Nick, Kaida, Alyssa,  
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