

Grades JK/SK Character Education

Month-By-Month Theme

Month	Character Attribute	JK/SK Suggested Activity
September	Respect	Respect is when you show good manners, pay attention, treat others as you would like to be treated. <i>See Video</i> ( <b><u>What's Respect – Sunburst</u></b> ) Teacher's Guide pg.6&7, Activity Guide pg.12&13. <i>See resource</i> <b><u>"Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids"</u></b> which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b> . Concept 3: Feelings (Workbook S-16-17).
October	Initiative	Initiative means to act or to take a step. <i>See resource</i> <b><u>"Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids"</u></b> which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b> . Concept 3: Feelings (Workbook S-30,31).
November	Courage (Bravery)	Courage is demonstrated by people who stand up for what they believe in their heart to be the right thing to do, even when others don't support them. <i>See resource</i> <b><u>The Bully Free Classroom</u></b> , pg.19-21 – identifying the classroom as a place where people accept each other, and identifying bullying behaviors; <i>See resource</i> <b><u>Anti-Bullying Units Grades JK/SK</u></b> , Subtask#4 pg.1 (Parts I-V); <i>See resource</i> <b><u>"Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids"</u></b> which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b> . Concept 3: Feelings (Workbook S-32-33).
December	Compassion (Empathy)	At the core of compassion is the ability to listen-really listen-to others. It can also be seen as seeking to understand another's struggles and help those in need. <i>See resource</i> <b><u>The Bully Free Classroom</u></b> , pg.33-36 – teaching things to do instead of hurting someone and making and keeping friends; See resource ( <b><u>Making Friends...Keeping Friends – Sunburst</u></b> ) pg. 34,35 activity pages.
January	Optimism	Optimism can be about making friends feel good about themselves; not be critical of others but rather look to improve myself. <i>See resource</i> <b><u>Anti-Bullying Units Grades JK/SK</u></b> subtask#3 pg. 1 (Parts I-V); <i>See Resource</i> <b><u>"Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids"</u></b> which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b> . Concept 4: Peacemaking Skills (Workbook S-28).

February	Honesty	Honesty is when you commit to being true to yourself and others. <i>See resource <b><u>Anti-Bullying Units Grades JK/SK</u></b> subtask#1_pg.1 (Parts I-IV); See Resource “<b><u>Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids</u></b>” which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b>. Concept 3: Feelings (Workbook S-29).</i>
March	Integrity	Integrity is demonstrated by people who do the right thing, no matter what the circumstances may be. <i>See resource <b><u>Anti-Bullying Units Grades JK/SK</u></b> subtask#5_pg.1 (Parts I-IV); See Resource “<b><u>Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids</u></b>” which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b>. Concept 4: Peacemaking Skills-Focus 3 (Workbook S-35).</i>
April	Fairness	Fairness is being consistent; students will play by the rules; treat people equally. <i>See resource <b><u>Anti-Bullying Units Grades JK/SK</u></b> subtask#2_pg.1 (Parts I-VI); See Resource “<b><u>Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids</u></b>” which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b>. Concept 1: Working together -Focus 2 (Workbook S-12 to 15).</i>
May	Perseverance (Resilience)	Perseverance encourages students not to become discouraged. <i>See Video (<b><u>We Can Work It Out - Conflict Resolution – Sunburst</u></b>) Teacher’s Guide pg.8-11, Worksheets pgs 2&amp;8.</i>
June	Responsibility	Responsibility is when you do what you say you’re going to do; you keep your promises and you’re accountable for your actions. <i>See Resource “<b><u>Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids</u></b>” which is part of the <b><u>I Care Cat Kit (JK/SK)</u></b>. Concept 4: Peacemaking Skills -Focus 3 (Workbook S-36,37).</i>