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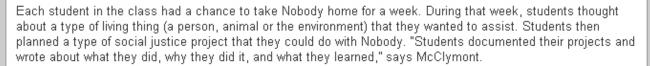
"Nobody" Becomes a Somebody at Greendale Public

A special visitor is helping the grade 2 class at Greendale Public school become community leaders. On Wednesday, June 10, students will share the story of their new-found friend with their parents, school staff and surrounding community.

In January, the class received a very mysterious package. Students were intrigued, and eager to discover what was inside. When they opened the box, they were surprised to find a blue 'Nobody' doll. The doll had no gender, no age, no ethnicity, no values, it was truly a nobody.

"The challenge given to this group of students was to turn Nobody into a somebody by giving it positive life experiences," says





Some volunteered their time by visiting seniors in long term care homes, others collected food for Community Care, or pet food for the local Humane Society. Some students assisted their neighbours with yard work, while others vowed to be silent for 24 hours and raised money through sponsorship to help build schools in third world countries.

"Character education is an important part of DSBN curriculum," says McClymont, "Working with Nobody helped build self-esteem by having students use their interests and abilities to help other living things. Also, by adding items to Nobody's physical appearance, students learn the value of diversity and that we all have something important to contribute."

For more information about Nobody, please visit www.whoisnobody.com.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, June 10

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Greendale Public School, 5504 Montrose Road, Niagara Falls

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