

KEEPING COMPANY IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

SESSION B



LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Pupils bring a donation of books for the local community space, for example a hospital or nursing home. Pupils help staff to organise the books and introduce people who stay there to the collection.

Suggested Resources:

Donated books and carrier bags.

Script:

Before leaving school to walk to the local community space, remind pupils of the purpose of the book donation. What are we trying to achieve? How will people use the resources? How will that make them feel? Divide the books between pairs of pupils, ensuring that no one's carrier bag is too heavy. Remind pupils about the importance of staying safe whilst walking around and crossing roads.

Character Coaching

Meaningful Praise:

I like the way you have been very helpful to the staff and how you have involved residents in talking about their new book collection.

Suggested Activities:

Liaise with the local community space about how best to organise the book donation in advance of the visit. They may have ideas about how pupils help organise them onto shelves. Ensure there are opportunities for pupils to talk to residents about the new books. Find other ways for pupils to be helpful and interactive whilst they visit.

Plenary:

Begin a whole group discussion – with residents – about people's favourite childhood books. Why is it their favourite? When was the last time they read it? What would you recommend?

Correction:

Remember that the purpose of our visit is to keep people company and to make sure they enjoy our company. We must focus on this and not just on talking to our friends.

