HOPE KIDS

Celebrating a 20+ year partnership between CapitalCare Dickinsfield Residents and Katherine Therrien Elementary Students
To bring together youth with residents that live in continuing care to create, build and nurture a sense of HOPE for participants.
Program Inception/Beginnings

• First HOPE kid – Steven who had a vision

• Dickinsfield’s History and Start Up

Hope Kids™
What Does a Typical Visit Look Like?

- Monthly Visits
- 75 minute session
- Paired with the same partner for continuity
What Makes this Different from Other Intergenerational Visits?

• Focal point of HOPE
What Makes this Different from Other Intergenerational Visits? (cont’d)

• Exploring what HOPE is and what it means
What Makes this Different from Other Intergenerational Visits?

• Making HOPE visible and accessible
Activity Examples
Sensory Approaches
Storytelling
Making/Taking Home Mementos

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leaders in continuing care
Scavenger Hunts
Turning Thoughts/Ideas into Actions
Crafty & Creative Opportunities
The Use of Music
Outings
Why it Works:

• Warming the soil before planning the seed
• Planning & more planning
• The importance of volunteer spirit
• Champions on both ends
Why it Works (con’td)…

• Exposing and educating other potential leaders
• Pre-briefing & de-briefing
• Using literary selections
Challenges/Barriers

- Finding a committed partner(s)
- Funding
- Transportation
- Working through the hiccups
Nothing is impossible if the word itself says “I'M POSSIBL"
Benefits/Outcomes

- Residents
- Students
- Teachers
- Parents
- Facility Staff
Evaluation/Closure

• Student/Resident reflections
• Teachers/parents/facility staff
• Thanking your supporters/sponsors
Resources

• HOPE Studies Central: ualberta.ca/ca/hope-studies/home:
  • Readings
  • Quotes
  • Handouts

Thank You
QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

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Thank You!