The Invisible String of Kindness

(Year 2 - Ages 7-8):

Lesson 5 of 9

Lesson Summary

This lesson transforms the concept of kindness into a magical exploration of invisible connections. Students are introduced to the idea that acts of kindness create an "Invisible String" that connects people's hearts, sharing good feelings even when they are far apart. Through an imaginative "what if" scenario, storytelling, and a creative activity, students will learn that some of the most powerful gifts—like help, courage, and happiness—are invisible. The lesson frames the gift of organ donation as the ultimate act of sharing along this invisible string, sending strength and health to someone you may never meet.

Learning Intentions

Students will

- Understand that kindness can be a powerful, invisible force.
- Explore the idea that we are all connected by invisible strings of kindness.
- Recognise that the gift of donation is a way of sending a powerful gift of health to someone else.

Success Criteria

Students can

- Describe one way to send a kind thought along an "invisible string."
- Explain that some of the best gifts are things we cannot see.
- Create a "Kindness Charm" to represent an invisible act of kindness.

Lesson Details

Time: 30 minutes

Year Level: Year 2 (Ages 7-8)

Unit: This is Lesson 5 of 9 in the series.

Educational Partner: This lesson is adapted from resources provided by DonateLife

General Capabilities

Personal and Social Capability, Ethical Understanding, Critical and Creative Thinking

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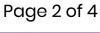
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Curriculum Mapping and Links

Australian Curriculum (v9.0)

Subject	Strand	Content Descriptor
Health and Physical Education	Personal, Social and Community Health	AC9HP2P01: Identify and practise emotional responses that account for own and others' feelings.
English	Interacting with others	AC9E2LY02: Use interaction skills including turn-taking, speaking clearly, and listening to others' ideas.
The Arts (Visual Arts)	Creating	AC9AVA2C01: Use materials, techniques and technologies to explore art making, and represent ideas and experiences.

Queensland Curriculum (QCAA)

Subject	Syllabus	Content Description
Health and Physical Education	Year 2	Identify and practise strategies to promote their own and others' health, safety and wellbeing.
English	Year 2	Listen to and contribute to conversations and discussions to share information and ideas.
The Arts (Visual Arts)	Year 2	Use materials, techniques and technologies to make artworks that represent ideas.
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Resources Required

- A ball of yarn or string.
- A short, simple story about sending an invisible gift (e.g., "Mila's Message of Courage," created for the lesson).
- A worksheet for each student with a large, blank "Kindness Charm" outline.
- Craft supplies: cardboard circles/shapes, markers, crayons, glitter.
- A hole punch and pieces of ribbon or string for the charms.

Skills

- Empathy
- Abstract thinking
- Communication
- Creative expression
- Self-reflection

Teacher Preparation

- Prepare the "Kindness Charm" materials (pre-cut shapes, ribbons, etc.).
- The core of this lesson is the "Invisible String of Kindness" metaphor. It
 provides a safe, magical way to discuss connection and altruism. The
 yarn web activity creates a memorable physical representation of
 this invisible network. The focus is on the power of unseen forces—
 good thoughts, courage, and ultimately, the gift of health.

Additional Information

This lesson has been created as part of Donate Buddies, a program designed to help young children explore kindness, sharing, and the importance of helping others. By introducing these concepts in a fun, age-appropriate, and engaging way, children begin to understand the power of kindness and how their actions can make a big difference.

Organ, eye, and tissue donation is a real-life example of this kindness, where one person can help save the lives of many others. While most people can donate tissue, only a small number of people who pass away in hospitals can become organ donors. One organ donor alone can save up to seven lives and help many more people through eye and tissue donation.



