

POSITIVE MESSAGES

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Background

This was the best promotional activity our Peer Mediation team has ever done.

One day, one of our Mediators spontaneously filled one wall of our mediation room with positive messages. They were about the value of now, of valuing yourself and others and of the small things in life, which are really the great things in life.

The following year, another of our Mediators suggested we put messages like this all over the school. We printed them on **brightly coloured paper** and stuck them up with one piece of sellotape in places where they could be easily removed.

Staff and students were invited to choose one they particularly liked and take it down to keep, and at the end of the day we took down any remaining messages so they did not create a rubbish issue.

"It was great to do something positive and proactive, giving the school community "warm fuzzies" on a cold winter's day."

PRINTABLE MESSAGESS

Our messages are reproduced below. You are very welcome to use our messages, they are all quotes from other people and places. However, as the mediators had great fun finding the quotes you may wish to do that instead.

Be in love with your life every minute of it

You're prettiest when you're happy

BELIEVE IN YOURSELF AND YOU CAN DO UNBELIEVABLE THINGS

Never apologize for what you feel. It's like saying sorry for being real

YOU ARE MUCH STRONGER THAN YOU THINK

To wish you were someone else is to waste the person you are

FAILING TO PLAN IS PLANNING TO FAIL

I am loveable and capable

One of the secrets of life is to make stepping stones out of stumbling blocks

EVERYTHING WILL BE ALRIGHT IN THE END, IF IT'S NOT ALRIGHT NOW, IT ISN'T FINISHED YET (DALAI LAMA)

It's easier to go down a hill than up, but the view is best from the top

The best angle from which to approach any problem is the try-angle

LIFE IS A JOURNEY. SOMETIMES I CAN CHANGE THINGS,
SOMETIMES I CAN'T. BUT I CAN CHANGE HOW I THINK ABOUT
THINGS (TRAVELLERS PROGRAMME)

One of the secrets of life is to make stepping stones out of stumbling blocks

If you don t know where you are going you will probably end up somewhere else

Be you - no one else can!

Love the skin you're in

You are special and unique

You will never have today again – make the most of it

The choices you make today will be with you forever

THINK, SPEAK, LEARN, DO

A strong positive mental attitude will create more miracles than any wonder drug

Dream big, achieve more

LOOK FOR THE SILVER LINING IN EVERY CLOUD

WHEN SOLVING PROBLEMS, DIG AT THE ROOTS INSTEAD OF JUST HACKING AT THE LEAVES

You can achieve anything you set your mind to

When life gives you lemons, make orange juice – think outside the circle!

Do it now, later may become never

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Know your limits ... but never stop trying to exceed them

What are you thankful for?

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference

Quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to act

LIFE IS ABOUT GIVING AND BEING,
NOT GETTING AND HAVING

If you are going around in circles maybe you're cutting too many corners

YOU LOOK BEAUTIFUL TODAY

The world is a better place because you are in it

When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace (Jimi Hendrix)

Any attempt to impose your will on another is an act of violence (Mahatma Ghandi)