

I Think I Can!

Poems about the Olympic Values
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FRIENDSHIP

Emma's sad
Come on, let's cheer her up.
Cheer up Emma!

Let's give her a Barbie,
a butterfly Barbie,
or a fairy.

Let's give her a knight
in shining armour,
or a DS.

Friendship is like
a story about a king,
or about Vikings
fighting the baddies together.

It's a story about a dragon
who couldn't sleep,
who breathes fire.

Friends help each other
even when there are
scary ghosts or monsters.

D'you want to come round
to my house and play?

Let's read the scripts.
Who wants to be the dragon?

I like you and you like me.
We're good friends for life.

Jack, Emma, Will, Jordan, Dan, Owen (Mrs Blitz's Class)

FRIENDSHIP 2

Friendship is smiley face sandwiches
and Rich Tea biscuits.

Or a silly dog
hanging from a tree.
Or a silly billy cat!

If friendship were a fruit
it would be chocolate strawberries
or a chocolate Mercedes.

Let's laugh together
and help each other.

Let's play pass the parcel
and musical statues and
let's eat a cake and
sing songs together

Friendship is a best friend.

It's a card saying, 'Happy Birthday'.

Or a cat, a dog, a rabbit,
or a cuddly hamster.
or even a chimpanzee
swinging from a tree.

Beth, Charbonnay, Harrison, Ben, Kane (Mrs Blitz's Class)

RESPECT

Shake hands.
See if he's OK.

Are you OK?
I think your poems are good.
You're not a loser.

Listen, the piano's playing:
do do do doo – do doo do do doo!
It feels bright and warm,
sweet and silky like an orange.

Respect feels like a Bugatti

Or a tiger running round a field
chasing the animals.
Roar!
Roaring with laughter.

Tilly, Alex, Jasmine, Kevin (Mr. Viney's Class)

EQUALITY

We're friends
all in it together.
A circle of friends,
hands different – but the same.

Your eyes are blue.
Your eyes are brown.
Your eyes are green.
All different but the same.

Dolphins have lungs
and they have to come up.
They jump in the water,
and make noises.

Swim like a dolphin
in the blue waters,
the salty blue sea.

Run like a leopard,
or a panther.
But cheetahs are the fastest.

May the best person win.
I think I can!

Soil makes the plants grow.
Seeds into oaks, into apple trees
to make cider everyone will drink.

Big brown trunks, roots,
heavy, big each unique
and hard to chop!

Be nice to each other.
Would you like some sweets?
Would you like some marbles?

Take a pick
they're all marvels.

Get ready to sprint
the 100 metres relay,
get ready to swim.
We're equal getting ready.
I hope I win!

Rob, Harry, Tyler, Jordan, Jamie (Mr. Viney's Class)