## Morning Assembly Friends & Friendship 3/5/07

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Today I'd like to talk about a very important part of our lives-friend and friendship

What is a friend?

A good friend is someone that helps you when you are in need.

A good friend is someone that comforts you when you are sad.

A friend is someone who cares about you and never tries to let you down.

A friend is someone that sometime plays tricks on you but never hurts you.

A good friend is someone you can laugh with and forget about all your worries.

What does a good friend need to have? A good friend needs to be trusted, so that you can always tell them your deepest secrets and know that they will never tell anyone else. A good friend also needs to be patient, so that they can be good listeners. A good friend needs to behave responsibly, to you, to his family and society at large.

Let me tell you a story about true friendship. When I was in Form One, life was stressful. Being the youngest kids in the school, having to make new friends and learn lots of new subjects was difficult to me. I remember waking up late one morning and panicking. I ran to school because I had not finished my homework. As I ran, the sky darkened and it began to rain heavily. I didn't have an umbrella and I was getting wet very fast. Suddenly, one of my classmates appeared out of nowhere, shared his umbrella with me and made laugh all the way to school. He told me silly stories because he knew I was upset. By the time we got to school, I was feeling much happier; I had forgotten all my worries and my friend offered to help me with my homework. When I look back, it was not the umbrella that made me happy, it was my friend. To know that he cared about me was very special. We remained good friends, but, sadly, he has already left school. No doubt he is making someone else good friends now.

It's important for us to be good friends to others too. We must also be good listeners, patient, responsible citizens and tell good jokes! Have a good day!!!