



LEADER LINKS

About the LEADER LINKS...

The Leader Link is a weekly message delivered via email to support character development, good citizenship and social responsibility. The Leader Links address the same character traits that our students focus on throughout the week. Each Leader Link provides a simple definition, an inspiring quotation, a thought provoking question and an action prompt to encourage you, your friends, associates or group to consciously incorporate each quality into daily living.

COOPERATION

Definition:

COOPERATION means working as a team to get along and to accomplish a collective purpose. Sports teams are good examples of how cooperating achieves goals. Help develop a common vocabulary by communicating the meaning of COOPERATION through your daily actions.

Leader's Message:

Cooperative people aren't people who give in to others' whims. People who cooperate are willing to work together to reach a common benefit. Musicians know that alone they are single instruments but together are entire symphonies of music. It is up to you to play your trumpet harmoniously so everyone can hear beautiful music.

Food for thought:

Think about this quote by Sri Sathya Sai Baba*: *"Willingness to compromise with others' ways of living and cooperation in common tasks, these make living happy and fruitful."* Consider what this message means to you. Do you agree with it or not?

Action Prompt:

Be a part of the storm! A single raindrop does not make a thunderstorm. A single person could not build a skyscraper. Both of these powerful examples require things or people working together to form a perfect identity. When you are willing to cooperate with others visions come to life. That single raindrop could never water a garden. An unwatered garden won't produce flowers. When the raindrops decide as a team to come down, the earth and its inhabitants flourish. Make cooperation the name of your game today and watch the growth appear.

* Sri Sathya Sai Baba (1926 -) Indian Spiritual Leader