# Looking After Our Wellbeing

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#### What is wellbeing?

Feeling good in ourselves and living a happy and healthy life

### 5 ways to well-being

## Connect - building relationships enriches your life

- Connect with people around you -family, friends and friends in school and outside of school
- Share your day with someone and ask about theirs
- Talk to someone on the phone instead of social media or messaging
- Smile at a person on the street
- Speak to someone you usually do not talk to in school and find out something about them

### Be Active – exercise releases happy hormones that make you feel positive

- Go for a walk or a run
- Walk a dog
- Do some gardening
- Do some stretching in the morning and before you go to bed
- Play your favourite song and dance to it
- Start a new sport

# Take notice - take time to be still, reflect and be aware of what is around you

- Reflect on what you are grateful for
- Notice wild flowers and where they grow
- Watch animals and birds outside
- Think about what you are good at and how you make the most of these things

# Give -acts of kindness make you feel happier about yourself and more satisfied about life

- Check up on a friend
- Say thank you to someone who has done something to help you
- Give unwanted things to a charity shop
- Donate some of your time to do something for someone else at home
- Give some food to a food bank

## Keep learning – set a goal and learn something new

- Research something you have always wanted to know about
- Take up a new hobby
- Learn a new word and teach it someone else
- Learn to cook something
- Watch the news

## Which one could you focus on developing this year?

- Connect
- Be active
- Give
- Take notice
- Keep learning
- Tell a friend or your parent so they can help you to work on it!