Operationalizing Love and Care: Noticing & Affirming

The Noticing & Affirming Challenge

Engagement is how love and care become visible. This month, intentionally notice the children, families, and fellow village members around you—and let them know what you see and appreciate.

Children

Each school day this month, share specific kind words with at least three children. Name exactly what you noticed.

> **Example:** "Maya, you made room for a classmate at the table. That was thoughtful."

Families

Each school day this month, send two Good News Notes home. Use the same observation you shared with the child to tell the family what you noticed.

> **Example:** "Today, Maya made room for a classmate at the table. Her thoughtful choice helped another child feel welcome."

Fellow village members

Each week this month, recognize one colleague. Name the specific action you appreciated and explain why it mattered.

> **Example:** "I appreciate the way you greet every family by name each morning. Your warm welcome helps families know they are seen and that they belong here."

Using the tracker

In the top section of your tracker, record each fellow village member's name after you have shared your appreciation.

In the bottom section of your tracker, write each child's name. Check the Kind Words or Good News box after completing each action. Continue through the roster until every child has received both specific kind words and a Good News Note.

Using the Good News Notes

Print enough copies for your class. Each page contains two Good News Notes. Cut the page in half, keep the notes nearby, and use them throughout the month.
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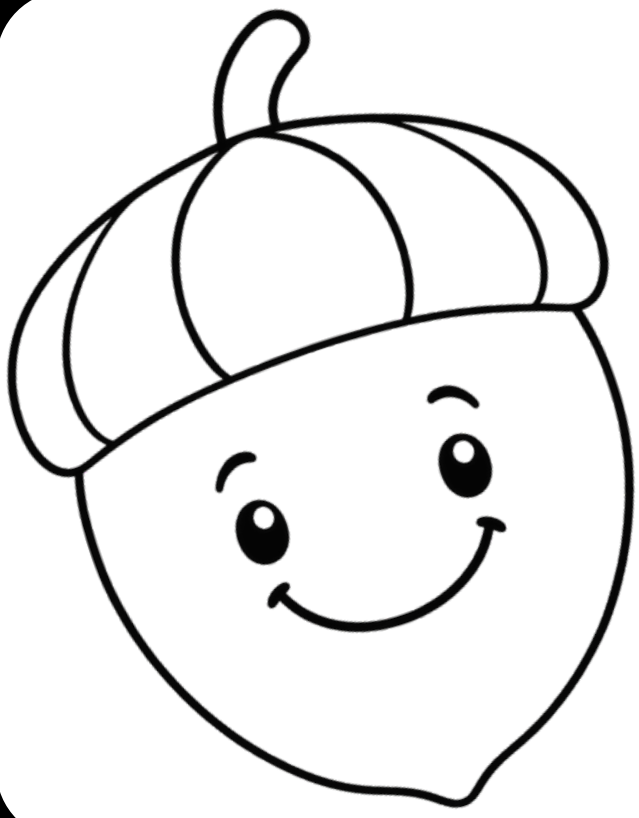
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Fellow Village Members: Each week this month, recognize one colleague by telling them specifically what you appreciate about their contribution to the village. After you have shared your appreciation, record their name below.

Village Member's Name
1.
2.
3.
4.

Children: Each school day this month, share specific kind words with at least three children by naming what you noticed or appreciated, and send two Good News Notes home. Check the appropriate box after each action and continue until your entire class roster is completed.

Child's Name	Kind Words	Good News	Child's Name	Kind Words	Good News
1.			13.		
2.			14.		
3.			15.		
4.			16.		
5.			17.		
6.			18.		
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Good News Note!

About: _____

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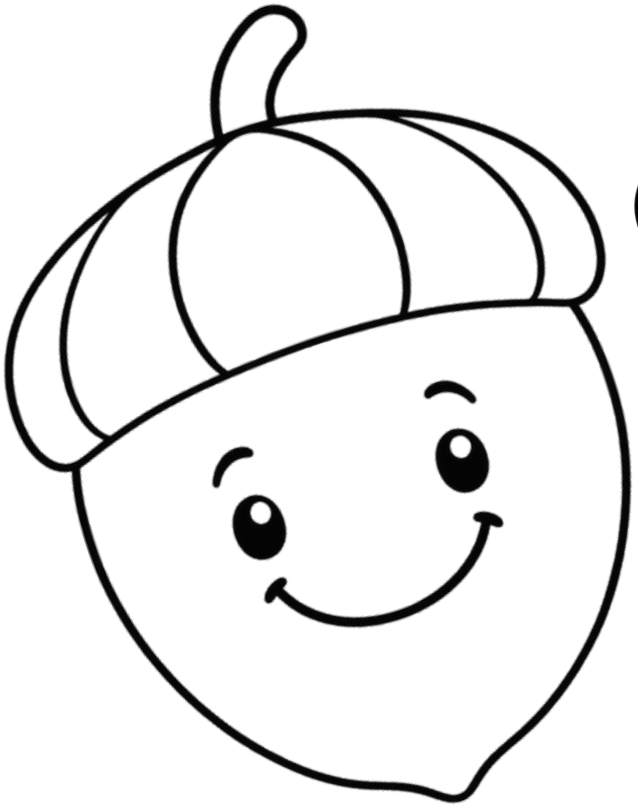
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