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Long Island students making a difference



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Better Birthdays

For a recent Random Acts of Kindness Day at **Connetquot Elementary School** in East Islip, 2nd grade students participated in Birthday Wishes' Birthday-in-a-Box program. The program, created in 2005, empowers families by providing homeless children in almost any living situation with a box containing everything needed for a great birthday celebration. Each year, the program helps lift the spirits of 3,000 children and their families at more than 200 homeless shelters and transitional living facilities.

The Connetquot students were excited to be able to help provide children in need with the makings of a festive birthday celebration, and each of the 2nd grade classes prepared their own boxes full of items such as party hats, cake mix, and candles that they brought in. They then packed them into boxes wrapped in colorful wrapping paper in preparation for delivery.

When asked how it felt to do this on behalf of homeless children, Julianna Schmidt of Mrs. Melissa Love's class said, "It makes me feel happy helping kids that can't afford to have birthdays."



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Q. Where Can I Find Scholarship Opportunities?

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