



# ELLA KIELY

# #iwill

## CHARACTER VIRTUES

I'VE DEVELOPED THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL ACTION

Creativity | Confidence | Empathy | Leadership | Gratitude



*Ella Kiely, 11 years old  
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*#iwill ... encourage other people to get involved in social action and show how it can bring people together.*

I first got involved in social action through fundraising with my school. I love all the different ways we can fundraise, from wearing pyjamas, or pink clothes to school for Red Nose Day, and Breast Cancer Now; doing a Bring and Buy sale for Children in Need; to running coffee mornings for Macmillan Cancer Support! I've also started getting involved in sporting fundraisers, with a sponsored run for Sport Relief and sponsored circuits for Childline. And we've just finished a readathon at school for Read For Good.

I decided to get involved in social action because I felt like I was helping people, even at my young age. I've now started going to protests too, which is great because I

feel like I can express how I feel about different subjects. I started protesting this year when my mum took me to the women's march. After that, I got the bug, and so now we go to marches as a whole family! We took banners to the NHS march and sang songs. I feel a lot more confident about doing social action now, which is great because not only is it a good way to occupy yourself, but also a way of changing other people's lives!

*"I started fundraising to help improve people's lives across the world as not all of them live safely or in a nice environment."*

### Organisations I've Participated With:

Red Nose Day, Breast Cancer Now, MacMillan Cancer Support, Children In Need, Sport Relief, Read for Good, Childline

