



# JESSICA MANSELL

AGE: 14 years old FROM: England

TOP FIVE CHARACTER VALUES: COMPASSION | SELF-DISCIPLINE | COOPERATION | CITIZENSHIP | CONFIDENCE

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My desire to make Wednesbury a better place to live inspired me to start taking part in social action. I see a key part of this being to help young people in my community and support them to develop their skills. I do this through volunteering with Girlguiding and this develops my own skills, too. I also get a lot of satisfaction from the work I do with the local Navy Cadets, who I help to fundraise for charities, including the Poppy Appeal and cancer charities. I am pleased to help with this as I know how important these funds are in helping these charities to provide the much-needed support they offer. I support the wider community in a variety of ways from raising funds for projects so that they can be completed to helping out at the local Carnival to ensure everyone who came along had a fantastic day.

I also help on a clean the streets programme to help make Wednesbury a ‘nicer’ place to live.

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action have also helped me personally at school, both academically and in being more organised and open in class. I use my skills as a House representative for Year 9 and through this role I run charity events to fundraise at school.

