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Smith Students in Action

At Smith School in Grimsby a group of 20 students have independently decided to make a difference to their community.

"Many of the students, inspired as a result of our school wide UNICEF campaign, decided that it was their time", said Hilary Abbey, Principal at Smith School. Several students, saw a need in the community and in their own backyards, to create a monthly program of fundraising for the community, especially students their own age who are less fortunate.

Guided by student, Olivia Busch and school librarian, Kendra Timlock, the students formed a group called "Smith Students in Action". Their goal is to run a Community Drive each month until the end of the school year. For the month of November the students organized a warm clothing drive for an association called "City Kids in Hamilton".

The campaign in December will be a toy drive for children that will otherwise not have toys to wake up to on Christmas morning.

The students have expressed that they realize how fortunate they are and through their efforts and hard work, they want to give something back to other kids in the community.

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