

September 16, 2016

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s):

Your child is having a very special presentation on September 22, 2016! CLIMB Theatre is coming to Little Chute Elementary to perform for grades K-4. CLIMB is a non-profit organization from Inver Grove Heights, MN and has been around for 40 years.

This group of professionals is coming on September 22 to kick off our October theme of bullying prevention. Students in K-2 will see a play entitled "Owl's Well". The students in grade 3 and 4 will see a play entitled "Henry Takes the Cake". Each presentation is about 45 minutes in length and is meant to educate students on various components of bullying.

On the back of this sheet, you will find more information about CLIMB and ways that you can follow up with your child after the presentations. Thank you for your support in educating our children on the important topic of bullying.

Thank you,

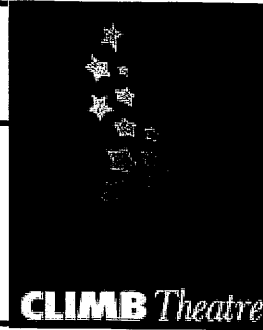
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Family Edition

A newsletter for families with children seeing a performance of CLIMB's Theatre's *Owl's Well*



About CLIMB Theatre

CLIMB Theatre, located in Inver Grove Heights, MN, is a nationally recognized non-profit company that has provided programming to K-12 schools for 40 years. CLIMB's theatre artists write, produce and present plays and drama classes on topics like bullying, self-control, respect, and the environment.

CLIMB's work is not only entertaining, it is educational. Independent research done on our programs shows that young people learn, and change their thinking and even their behavior because of us.

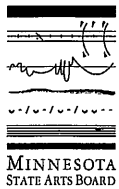
CLIMB reaches between 200,000-300,000 students and teachers annually primarily in MN but also in WI, IA, IL, ND and SD.

CLIMB's programs cost us more to do than we charge schools. Money we receive from our contributors and from our charitable gaming activities cover the difference.

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About the Play

Jayden is bullying Isabella. Her friend Noah is not exactly helpful at first. Then, Isabella gets some help from an unlikely ally: a wise old owl from the woods behind her house! Eventually, with coaching from the owl, and help from Isabella's dad, both Noah and Isabella learn how to handle themselves when they or someone else is being bullied.

Learning Objectives

1. To define bullying.
2. To demonstrate that getting angry and being mean isn't the way to stop bullying.
3. To practice an assertive stance.
4. To clarify that you should report bullying when a repeated assertive response fails or when someone is in danger.
5. To show how to stand up for children who are being bullied.
6. To differentiate between tattling and reporting.

Questions to Ask

Be sure to ask your child questions about the play:

- Tell me about the play you saw at school today.
- What did you like about it?
- What did you learn from the play?
- What does bullying look like?
- How did Orville the owl teach you to stand if you are being bullied? What can you say?
- What can you do if you see someone else being bullied? What could you say? What could you do?
- What does it mean to report?
- How is tattling different than reporting?
- When should you report bullying? Who could you report bullying too?
- Would you like to see another CLIMB play?

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