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Dear Friends,

As you can see from some of the attached pictures and materials, we built a great literacy event for 'International Children's Book Day' around the book 'The Boy Without A Name'. Your kind donation of books allowed us to give 36 copies of this book to young children who attended the event. We intend to hold other events where we can distribute more books at.

As we also have the 'Dolly Parton Imagination Library' program at our centre we are aware of the importance of children just having books of their own

The feedback from teachers, parents and children were very positive. They liked the costumes of the presenters. They were eager to answer questions about the story and were excited about making magical dream boxes to take home with them.

We are a multicultural centre. What you said on your web site really resonates with us.

"Educators and psychologists recognize that it is important to help children to develop problem-solving, along with analytical and analogical thinking skills. These skills encourage a lifelong love of learning and the habits of mind that enhance children's experiences and potential as they continue their school careers and become young adults.

To do this, we need to use tools that encourage higher-level and critical thinking, foster empathy and conflict resolution, and promote social and emotional skills - each one of which plays a critical role in academic success, as studies now show. "

The area we serve is the Yukon Territory which has one eighth of the total land mass of Canada with under 50,000 people living in it. Seven different First Nation languages are spoken along with English, French, and a significant number of other languages. So you can see we have to find resources that that encourage higher-level and critical thinking, foster empathy and conflict resolution, and promote social and emotional skills.

The free copies of the book “The Boy Without A Name” enabled us to meet these objectives while providing us with an opportunity to foster cross-cultural understanding in our community.

Again, thank you for your kind donation.

With respect,

Allen Murray, Project Director

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