

## Altruism Unit

**REMEMBER THAT ALTRUISM** by definition is the principle or practice of unselfish concern for or devotion to the welfare of others. Get ready because the last three weeks of this trimester will be devoted to this word!

### What am I responsible for during this unit?

**1) Daily Log and Journal-** Every single day you are responsible for completing your daily log. Here you will fill out specifically what you did that encompasses the word altruism and will have it initialed by me once a week. You will receive 5 points each day, this adds up so make sure you are on task. By observing you interact with others and work, I will be deciding on your grade for the day. So, don't slack!

**A) Fundraiser:** Your grade here depends on how well you work on a daily basis. If you care about this project, it will be an easy A! Work hard, spread the word and show compassion!

**B) Class Work:** This grade will also take place on what we do in class, but will be either learning more about Darfur or perfecting our letter to President Obama.

**C) Outside of school:** I am going to require you put in at least 4 hours outside of school working on our fundraisers. This can involve working at the fundraiser, collecting cans for money, dropping off letters or jars at businesses etc. You must get this signed by another individual for proof.

**2) Nightly Log-** You must attain 6 hours before the end of the trimester and you have about a month to do so. You can do this by any of the following:

- can drive
- dropping off letters to businesses
- dropping off donation jars to business
- sitting outside of a business to collect \$ and spread awareness
- Other
- **REMEMBER!** The actual event will take a few hours so this is where you will get the majority of your hours. Everything else will come easily.

**3) Reflection –** We will have assignments within the units where we reflect how the unit is going as a whole and how we are doing as an individual.

**4) Portfolio –** At the end of the unit you will have prepared a portfolio, which will include all of your daily logs, journals, reflections, letters, any Darfur work we completed, etc. Basically, this will include everything that you accomplished through this Altruism Unit. Here, you will also highlight parts of the unit that you felt you did the best or were the most inspired. At the end of the trimester, you will also write an elaborate paper of all of your experiences over the last month. You will then present it to the class. This specific assignment will come later.

### Tonight's Homework

1) Brainstorm businesses that you can go to! 2) Tell your parents about what we are doing in class! 3) bring jars/containers from home, 4) \_\_\_\_\_