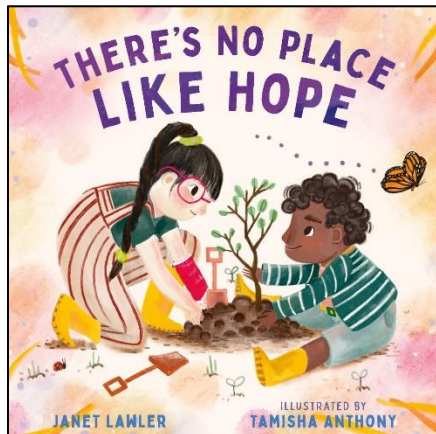


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THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOPE is a heartwarming pre-K and early grade picture book that reinforces generosity, inclusiveness, and diversity. The words and pictures in each scene tell a story of hope that students can process and understand.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOPE is a gentle, yet powerful exploration of how hope makes us loving, courageous, and connected to one another.

TEACHER TIPS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Read the book out loud to class to support SEL/curriculum strands on community, kindness, and cooperation. Ask students what hope means to them (possible discussion points: teamwork, courage, positive outlook, thinking that things will be better, etc).
- Choose a scene/spread to read again. Ask students what is happening in the illustration? Who needs hope? Who is helping? For example: Lost dog spread (*When hope fills your heart, it's your turn to share...*) shows elderly person hoping dog will be found; squirrel helps by pointing at sign and dog; boy finds dog; they return dog to joyful owner.
- Ask students to choose a spread and write about what is happening in the illustration.
- Have students draw an illustration of a situation involving a time they or someone they know needed hope, or of a situation they can imagine involving hope. Have students write about their illustration.

- Offer book as a take-home family read aloud for students experiencing difficulties or challenges at school or home.
- Recommend book as a resource for your school counselor/social worker for students in need of comfort.
- Optional class project: Brainstorm and implement some activity that might offer hope in the greater community, such as bringing in food items for a class donation to a local food bank, or writing letters or illustrating cards to send to homebound elders.