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## BIRTHDAY - OPEN HOUSE



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## The Power of Love

BY BREN CHISHOLM

I didn't realize how powerful a hug and a kiss was until I learned a valuable lesson from my six-year-old daughter. I've always been extremely affectionate with my children but it took only one small incident to make me realize the potency of love.

In case you don't know, little girl meanness begins at a very young age. This astounds me because frankly, you just don't believe anything but sweetness could possibly radiate from their lovable little souls. From birth until about nine, you can rest assured your little girl is still reasonably congenial. It's not until later that the hormones kick in and then your response is to offer your once angelic child a saucer of milk.

It all started one morning last week, when I caught my youngest daughter, Marina, frantically going through her closet after I had put her clothes out the night before - a perfectly cute turtleneck and matching pants.

"What are you doing?" I asked. "Natalie told me I wasn't pretty. I said that wasn't very nice and she told me I had to prove to her I was pretty. So I'm looking for something to make her see," she proclaimed grandly.

I did my best to hide my stunned horror and instead took a deep breath and explained to her that pretty comes from inside and she had nothing to prove to the little so-and-so. To no avail, she donned the outfit she was sure would convince Natalie that she was nothing short of stunning. I just sighed and shook my head. This was just the beginning.

The next morning as my husband and I were getting the children ready to take the bus to school, I couldn't find Marina. I ran upstairs and found her in her room, huddled in the corner crying her eyes out.

When I could get her to stop crying long enough to explain to me, I found out a few little girls in her class deemed her unsuitable the day before and decided not to play with her during recess. I was a little surprised because she hadn't brought it up the night before but I suppose readying herself for school reminded her what had happened. Obviously, she was facing a delayed reaction and didn't want the incident repeated.

I held her in my arms, dried her eyes, and asked her what I could do to make her feel better. She suggested

staying home for the day but that was clearly not an option.

My husband and I managed to get her on the bus with some distractive talk but all day long, I was plagued with ideas on how I could make her feel better. I knew she would eventually find someone to play with because little girls notoriously change their minds as frequently as Jennifer Lopez changes boyfriends. Not only that, my daughter could charm the bees from the trees (similar to J Lo, but I won't bring it up again... I promise).

Nonetheless, I spent my lunch hour almost obsessively going over in my mind just what I could do to mend her hurt feelings.

You have to understand; my children aren't in the least bit spoiled. They get presents on their birthdays, Christmas and Easter but we're not a family who go out and buy toys for any other occasion. In other words, I was still of sound mind (and wallet!) to realize an expensive toy was not the answer. This therefore presented a challenge, as I dearly wanted to help my daughter feel better.

In a last ditch effort; I purchased an inexpensive, fragrant bar of Kiwi-scented soap. I thought it would be a nice idea to present her with a private, unhurried bath - a fool-proof remedy in my opinion - with one of her leftover Halloween candies.

That evening, I quickly rushed home, dropped my bags and told her what we were going to do. Of course she was delighted when she took one whiff of her very own bath bar. Naturally, she couldn't believe her good fortune in having a treat popped in her mouth while she bathed and before dinner, for heaven's sake.

I am realistic enough to know I won't always be able to solve all my children's woes with a bath and a treat. Of course, there will be challenges and yes, even a few broken hearts along the way for both my children and I may be miles and miles away and unable to do much of anything except sympathize. But right now, the very idea that I can take away just a little bit of sadness warms me right through to the core.

When I asked her if she was feeling better, she said, "You know what, mommy? The best part of my day is always hugs and kisses from you!"

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