

Unit 4 – Team challenge

Team C – Murals with a cause

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Aaron Dickens: Alyssa Lafemina says that she was bullied from first grade. But now she has entered CSI High School for International Studies, Lafemina and her classmates are taking a stand against bullying through art. They are discussing the issue and creating sketches for an anti-bullying mural that will be painted next month.

Alyssa Lafemina: I feel so much sympathy for everybody who has been bullied, and like, I just want to help them.

Aaron Dickens: Charlie Balducci of the New York City Arts Cypher came up with the idea for the project and acquired several sponsors. The non-profit promotes positive values through arts and entertainment programmes focusing on emerging artists and teens. He then presented the mural concept to the Principal.

CSI Principal: It's important to young children, to young students that they grow up and they take proactive action. It's about empowering students to be part of the solution and confronting bullying at every stage.

Aaron Dickens: Several logo artists and the students will paint this wall in June. It runs 360 degrees in the school's lobby.