

It's a  
**GREAT DAY**  
to be a  
**CARDINAL**



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It was Calvin's first day in school, and while eating lunch in the cafeteria, he saw a girl named Candice drop her tray, and "Ka-blash!" Her lunch spilled everywhere. Rather than get upset, Candice pronounced, "Well, this is a great day to be a Cardinal" and proceeded to pick up the mess. A boy named Cam stepped in to help. She smiled, and said "Thanks!"



Later, while playing at recess, Calvin saw Candice trip and skin her knee. He could tell it hurt, but was surprised by Candice's reaction.

After brushing a tear from her cheek, she said, "This is a great day to be a Cardinal" Then a girl named Carol came up to her and said, "You should get a bandaid on that. Let's go to the nurse's office."

Candice smiled and said,  
"Thanks!"

On the bus ride home, Candice's backpack unzipped, and everything fell out on the floor. Again she said, "This a great day to be a Cardinal!" This time Calvin stepped in to help pick things up, then he asked her, "Candice, I've seen three bad things happen to you today, and each time you say 'This is a great day to be a Cardinal.' Why do you say that?"



Candice replied, "Here at this school, we are all Cardinals. We have Cardinal friends, and we all care about each other, and help each other. It's the Cardinal way. So no matter what happens, I know I have friends who care, and will always help me. That makes every day a great day to be a Cardinal!"

After all of her things were gathered up, Candice smiled and said,  
"Thanks for your help! Isn't it a great day to be a Cardinal?!"