

## Fundraising total jumps to surprising amount

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**North Bay ON—** A modest fundraising goal of \$1,000 was far exceeded when all St. Hubert School students and staff decided to help one teacher and her classroom *Jump Rope for Hope* for Japan last week. Teacher Charlene Bennison said she was touched when the other classes wholeheartedly joined her Grade 8 students with the fundraising efforts, but she never expected what came next.

“We raised \$4,634 for Japan in one day of jumping!” she said. “I’m so impressed. It is so touching to see our students coming together like this.” The funds were symbolically presented to Bennison’s friend, Sanae Yamaguti Hay, a native of Japan living in North Bay who has several relatives still living in the disaster-stricken country. The cheque will be sent to Japan through World Vision.

**Above Photo (left to right):** St. Hubert students Jennifer Sheehan, Adrian Graham, Laura Ann Seaton, Melanie Lingenfelter with Sanae Yamaguti Hay and teacher Charlene Bennison.

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