

Definitions :

- 1: kind, helpful and generous
- 2: used in the names of some organizations that give help and money to people in need

benevolent

Used in a sentence:

- *The student has a benevolent smile/attitude*
- *He believed in the existence of a benevolent god*
- *She took a benevolent interest in her son's education.*
- *They were considered to be a benevolent school because they contributed to the local food bank every year.*

Etymology and historical meaning of the term **benevolent**:

From late Middle English: originally from the Old French *benivolent*, from Latin *bene volent*- 'well wishing', from *bene* 'well' + *velle* 'to wish'.



Questions:

- How does this link with the theme of the week: Active, Caring Citizens?
- How does this link to the charity drive?
- Can you think of any synonyms for the word **benevolent**?
- Could you use words of the same family (verbs, nouns) in sentences?