# **Emotional and Social Resilience Training in ZSŁ**

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# The group - specifics

- In the beginning 11 students
- from 5 different classes –first and second grades (17/18 years old)
- 4 girls and 7 boys.
- After the second meeting one girl has resigned from participating.

# Special educational needs

- In the group there are:
  - 5 students with dyslexia,
  - 1 with attention deficit disorder,
  - 2 with social/material problems,
  - 2 students at risk of school failure due to numerous absences and/or poor grades
  - 5 with problems with relationships / social relations.
- almost every student has problems with self-esteem and self-confidence.

#### Motivation



#### **Subjects**

• Most meetings - based on the plan created by Jackie

- Some modifications:
  - focus more on relationships and self-esteem issues
  - some issues connected with coping with stress we made some relaxation exercises.
  - individual meeting with each student to find out their strenghts and make them more aware of them

#### **Problems:**

• the biggest problem: arranging the time of meetings which would be suitable for everyone



- presence on classes
  - Only at the very first meeting 10 people were present, during the next there was never 100% attendance
  - Some students had other things to do at that time, somebody was ill, somebody went somewhere for the weekend or go for a school outing.
  - As a result during the meetings there were usually 8-9 students.

# Problems with the target group:

- lack of the motivation to participate in this kind of self-developing workshop
- problem with expressing themselves on the group forum
- situation in Polish schools in April we lost all the month of opportunities to meet
  - Consequences:
  - long breaks between classes
  - up till now the classes have not been finished (one left)

#### **Positive effects**

- very nice atmosphere in the group
- good motivation to develop themselves

- good cooperation between group members
- new friendships, new colleagues at school
- personal

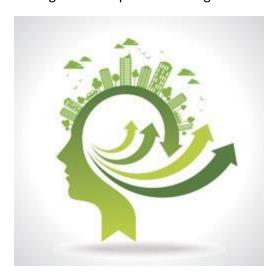
#### development

New skills, techniques of aquiring knowledge



# How will I use this programme in the future?

- some of the elements of the programme will be used in my lessons with different classes
- I will use many elements included in the programme in my own individual work with students during counselling and therapeutic meetings.



# My own impressions

- very useful and necessary knowledge included in this programme for young people and also for their parents and teachers
- interesting exercises
- stimulating reflection and motivation to work on oneself
- great satisfaction when students reported changes in their lives



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