Mrs. Kojic, Lazar's mother, was incredibly proud when Lazar told her that he decided to donate his leftover birthday money to people in need. Lazar had been counting the days until Friday to go shopping for his new Xbox game when he would not have soccer practice or homework.

Mrs. Kojic explained, "Once he heard about the fundraiser, he came up to me and said, 'I would like to f qpcvg'kn0/J gøu'o { "rkwrg"qrf "uqwr0/J g"cny c{u'o cpci gu"vq"uwtr tkug"o g"cpf "r w'c'uo krg"qp"o { 'hceg0'koo "i rcf " he made a difference."

Mr. Healy, School 9's principal, said, "Lazar exemplifies all of the important qualities we look for in a student. He is kind, caring, and empathetic. It is so uncommon for a person of such a young age to place the needs of others before his own. I could not be any prouder to have a student like Lazar at our school."

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