Selected Books for XOXO: Love & Forgiveness

**Be Kind**
By Pat Zietlow Miller, illus. by Jen Hill
Roaring Brook Press, 2018
ISBN 978626723214

This story ponders kindness both on a micro level—in a school or neighborhood—and on a macro level, as small acts of kindness can have a big impact.

**The Color Monster: A Pop-Up Book of Feelings**
By Anna Llenas
Sterling, 2012
ISBN 9781454917298

Identifying emotions beyond internal feeling becomes a colorful and textured task in this interactive book.

**How Do You Say I Love You?**
By Hannah Eliot, illus. by Shirley Ng-Benitez
Simon & Schuster, 2017
ISBN 9781534400122

This durable board book takes readers of all ages on a tour around the world to understand how the phrase “I love you” is spoken in different languages.

**How to Mend a Heart**
By Sara Gillingham
Random House, 2015
ISBN 9780553510935

This metaphor for overcoming hurt and granting forgiveness also provides an opportunity to explore making through sewing and attachment.

**I Am Human: A Book of Empathy**
By Susan Verde, illus. by Peter H. Reynolds
Abrams, 2018
ISBN 9781419731655

Reynold's dynamic, brightly colored illustrations document an individual’s journey facing uncomfortable feelings and making positive choices.

**Peace is an Offering**
By Annette LeBox, illus. by Stephanie Graegin
Dial Books, 2015
ISBN 9780803740914

This poetic narrative explores concepts like giving and healing through the lens of friendship and community.