

Hi my name is April,



I am in your child's class (or I will play with your child on the playground).

I have Vitiligo. Vitiligo is a loss of pigment in my skin. It looks like white patches or "clouds" on my skin.

I'm a little shy at first so it's hard for me to talk about it at times. Kids ask me a lot of questions about it so I thought I could give you the facts about Vitiligo so that you and your child will know about my condition.

- Vitiligo is not contagious
- It doesn't hurt
- I started with brown skin and it is slowly turning white
- 1/2% to 1% of the population has Vitiligo
- There is no cure for Vitiligo yet
- It doesn't affect me in any other way

I like to play with Barbies. I have a really soft, playful cat named Gizmo. I love to go swimming and my favorite food is Mint Chocolate Chip ice cream.

If you know of anyone with Vitiligo, you might want to let them know that we have found a great resource on the internet at: <http://www.vitigosupport.org>

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