COVID-19 THROUGH YOUNG EYES INITIATIVE

Respect for children's views: Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously.

Article 12 of the UN Conventions on the Rights of the child.

INFORMATION FOR EDUCATORS

As the keeper of the state's stories, the State Library of South Australia is committed to including voices and experiences of children and young people. We invite you and the learners you work with to participate in a State Library of South Australia initiative, COVID-19 THROUGH YOUNG EYES. This project invites children and young people across the state to reflect on and create a response that shares their personal experiences during COVID-19. Stories will be published digitally through the State Library's flickr platform, a safe, moderated space created for children and young people, to share their stories with each other and the broader community.

Two guiding questions frame this project and provide scope for children and young people to respond in many ways.

When you look back on this time in the future what will you remember most?

OR

When people of the future look back on this event, what would you want them to know about your life during COVID-19?

Participants may choose to tell their story individually, in small groups or as a class response in a variety of mediums for publication on the digital platform, flickr. This may include responses on paper such as poems, or a painting with an explanation attached or short video such as an interview, meme or stop motion animation.

This project acknowledges the important role that educators play in supporting learners to reflect on and process their personal experiences during this moment in history. If you have already captured learner responses you might like to participate by uploading these in digital format for inclusion on the COVID-19 THROUGH YOUNG EYES flickr group.

Some stories may be included in future library programs or become part of the permanent collection.

Below is an invitation to participate, written directly to the learners. This supports whole group discussion and information about the project.

If you are interested in participating please email us at slsacommunitylearning@sa.gov.au

We will email you a secure Dropbox folder in your name where you can upload consent forms as well as a link to the COVID-19 THROUGH YOUNG EYES flickr group where you can upload digital copies of participant responses in the form of scanned documents, short videos or photographs of large or 3D artworks.

SAFETY

The safety and protection of children and young people is paramount in publishing their contributions in online environments:

- Parent/ guardian permission *must* be obtained for every participant through the **Consent Form Talent Release**. This document clearly outlines the 'terms of use' for submissions.
- The child or young person's privacy must be protected by submitting first name and age only. The name of their school is an optional inclusion at the parent's discretion.
- The State Library Education Team will moderate and publish submissions to the COVID-19 THROUGH YOUNG EYES Flickr group
- Participation requires adherence to the Terms and Conditions <u>flickr terms</u> and Privacy Policy flickr privacy for the Flickr platform.

From your State Library Education Team







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