

Transcript for Co-op Academy Portland and Great Meols Primary School

Child 1: I want you to think of us when you're on your holiday. Help us wash our worries away. I am only here to say, think of us today.

Child 2: What are you doing right now? Stop that. Come and spend time with us. Bye!

Child 3: When we speak to adults, we need them to listen more often.

Child 4: Listen carefully. When we come to the park, it is fun. But when you go often, we get bored. So then, we go and play inside. So let's do something different. Let's build different, more fun.

Child 5: We can be independent. We can be whatever we want to be. We can be us.

Child 6: It's not adults who can take care of themselves. It's also kids who can take care of themselves. He he!

Child 7: Dear parents, I'm no different than you. You are no different than me. We have feelings too. So let's come together and make this world a better place. Let's spend time together and give more good to the world. Don't think that we are mindless children. We can help too. Please don't let us down. We are both human and we have feelings too.

Child 8: If you want to do something, go do it. Take a risk. Because if you think you can do it, you should.

Child 9: I love my kitten blue and you should too.

Child 10: Yes.

Child 11: Hi, my name is Charlie and I want adults to let us express our feelings. Stop being so bossy and have more fun with us. Like, because they're always like boring and like grumpy all the time. I don't think I've ever seen a fun adult, like, other than Faye.

Child 12: Six and a half hours of school. In between that, we have one hour of break. We are children, not robots. We are not designed to sit at desks for five days a week. So could we please have more time to have a childhood?

Child 13: To adults, people may say we can't do tricky things, but we can as long as we push ourselves to do it.

Child 14: Pink fluffy unicorns dancing on rainbows.

Child 15: Please listen to us more, give us the respect that we deserve.

Child 16: I'm in uniform because really we're all in uniform. We're all humans, so treat us like you would want to be treated.

Child 17: I want no more drugs. I want no more e-bikers around at a dangerously high speed. Bigger slides in the park and no expensive holidays and any school breaks.

Child 18: We want to not be treated like toddlers. We want to not be treated like adults. We are our own self. Let us be us.

Child 19: Think of us because we are the future of the world.

Child 20: No one should think last of us because we are the future. We aren't stupid. Think of us.

Child 21: I think there should be more places for children. I think that more children's opinions should be heard.

Child 22: We are the people of the future waiting to be heard.

Child 23: Respect me and be kind. Pick up your litter, help mow the grass and stop smoking in my community.

Child 24: Let us go on the bus and train for free and make the swimming baths free for us in the holiday.

Child 25: Kids these days have such an easy future. That's what they always say. But they don't even realise all the hard things they lay. They don't ever consider that animals are in danger. Their home's they destroyed. In a couple of years, they won't even recognise the poor polar bear's face. So before you make assumptions, just think of the weight you've made us carry.

Child 26: I think that children should have more freedom.

Child 27: Dear adults, save the planet. Our world is dying, yet no one trying to save our home. Our ancestors will never meet. Think of us.

Child 28: Dear adults, I think you should let us be more independent because sometimes they pick for us so we can't have our own opinion.

Child 29: I think that there should be more outdoor activities like rock climbing for kids.

Child 30: Adults should not shout at us because it's kinder not to shout and will make us happier. We should be able to make a mistake without getting shouted at, so think of us.

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Child 31: Dear adults, let us be free. We shouldn't be penned up at home. We will get bored and then you will shout at us.

Child 32: I want adults to help us get off screens.

Child 33: I want to see where, when we go to high school, I like my best friend because, but I'm going to miss them because we all go into different high schools.

Child 34: We are the same just younger, so we should be treated the same. Remember, we're your future, fixing your mistakes. So don't overlook us, just think of us. I am me and you are you, and we are capable of the same things as you. So pay us a little respect and let me be free and let me be me.

Child 35: When you go to a different high school and your best friend go to a different and you'll miss each other, but you can still play out, yeah?

Child 36: Dear adults, you need to put down everything for us. We're the future generation trying to fix the mess you made. We should be able to be free and move when we want. You need to spend more time with us, then you will know how truly capable we are. We're not a clone of you, we can do what we want.

Child 37: When you're busy working, think of us. Or you're at home resting, think of us. Even if you're in a meeting, think of us. To all the adults in the world, please think of us.

Child 38: Just because you're older doesn't mean you're always right, and you should actually give us the choice to share our opinions and our thoughts.

Child 39: Dear adults, spend more time with us instead of sitting on your phones. And when you think of something, think of us.

Child 40: I feel like when a child draws and posts it online, there's always a hate comment and it can really upset them. So I'm trying to say, we're only young, we won't have the ability to draw certain things.

Child 41: Dear adults, let us be who we want to be. Let us do what we want to do. People say that we can't do stuff properly, but you're wrong. Let us be more independent because we can learn better.

Child 42: We're seen as immature, we're only having fun. We're not naughty, we have needs that may not be visible to you but are there.

Child 43: Our time on earth is not that long. So take your time in what you do. Because it might be time to say goodbye. Small or big or any size, think of us before it is your time.

Child 44: I talk off of experience because I've been to like places, public places and I have ADHD and autism and I'm seen as like naughty and misbehaved by a lot of people. And there's really judgmental people that start whispering about me and my family because autism and ADHD runs in the family and it's quite hard for all of us. And when we go out together, there's just people that are being quite judgmental.

Child 45: I would like my parents to spend more time with me. Stop what you're doing, spend more free time with us, help us achieve what we can.

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Child 46: Dear adult of all ages, what are you doing right now? Stop and put everything in your hands down and listen to us. Because we are all humans. We are not something you can play with. Thank you for listening to me.

Child 47: Parents, we want to be heard.

Child 48: I am 11 and once you were 11 too. I want adults to let us express ourselves in the way that we want to.

Child 49: Dear adults of the world, we might not be the toughest but we aren't the weakest either. We need to be able to make mistakes to take the next steps in our lives.

Child 50: I want adults to let us be more confident and brave.

Child 51: Dear all adults, I wish you to take more notice of us children. We believe that we should be given support and help but at the same time give us freedom. Let us take the next step in our life.

Child 52: I want adults to pay more attention to their kids.

Child 53: I want more sweets. Wait, I'm going to add them please. I want more... Wait, I started. I want more sweets, please.

Child 54: Dear adults, I would like it if all the parents can always believe in our dreams, even though it might not be possible, and help us afford that training for that job we desire.

Child 55: Believe in us. Comfort us. We listen to you. Why not repay the favour?

Child 56: Children should have less restrictions and more freedom towards what they do.

Child 57: Good day. Let me tell you something. Once you were kids as well, and we are just mini-adults waiting to see the world, let us shine. We should be heard our voices are unmuted. Goodbye, y'all.

Child 58: Don't be afraid to let kids use their voices and ideas to their best abilities and make the world a better place.

Child 59: I think adults should make more time for children, and children should have a lot more freedom, because we deserve it.

Child 60: Children should be respected by adults more often.

Child 61: Children should be prioritised for healthcare over elderly people, because they have already had a long life. Also, surgeries for children should be free across the world. Children should not be treated any different than adults, and should be able to participate more.

Child 62: I think children should be seen and heard more.

Child 63: You need more bike parks, because people could get better at jumps. Help us stay active, thank you.

Child 64: Dear adults, once you were kids just like us, so you should let us be heard as well.

Child 65: Hey Liverpool, my name is Asmae Mullen, and I think that younger people should be treated the same as you would like to be treated. And just remember, once you were our age, so give us good footsteps to follow.

Child 66: We are not weird. We are adults but tiny.

Child 67: Adults were once children, so treat them as you would have wanted to be treated as a child.

Child 68: I like this art, because it shows and tells that children should be listened to, and that we are useful.

Child 69: Children should be given more freedom, because adults were once our age. Children should be taken seriously, because we are the future.

Child 70: Children need to be treated the same way as adults, because sometimes it's unfair.

Child 71: I think children should be heard and listened to, instead of only being seen.

Child 72: I think there should be more secret bike trails for mountain bikers to ride.

Child 73: I believe adults should ask children about their opinion, and actually listen and focus on the conversation, because nobody ever asks about my opinion.

Child 74: Stop littering in public spaces. Leave it nice for us, because we are the people after you, and to be more respectful to us and other adults. But if we don't do something right, don't snitch on us to our family. Don't think of us like we are boring, annoying, and loud, because we are not boring or annoying. And when we are loud, we are just having fun. And remember, you were once our age.

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