

The 'Diff Diaries

Share your Lockdown Story

The coronavirus has rapidly changed life as we know it in Cardiff, and the 'Diff Diaries will bring children and young people together for voices to be heard, stories to be told and experiences to be understood for generations to come.

The 'Diff Diaries will involve lots of opportunities to develop creative skills!

How to Get Involved

Share a weekly video, picture collage or written diary entry of your experience in 'lockdown'.

Videos

Use a phone, camera or a built in webcam to film things that capture your experiences in your day-to-day life.

Need help creating a video? [Click here](#)

Written Diaries

On a piece of paper, in a notebook or a Word document, write down and date your thoughts, feelings and daily activities.

Need suggestions on how to write a diary? [Click here](#)

If you would like a diary template sent to you in the post please email:

cardiffcommitment@cardiff.gov.uk
or call **07790819982**

Collages

Gather a collection of pictures (printed or digital) that you like, or that capture your experiences, and put them together to create one big picture.

Need help creating a photo collage? [Click here](#)

Do's and Don'ts

- ✓ Do talk or write about Cardiff and your local area.
- ✓ Do document fun things that you get up to during the day.
- ✓ Do mention yours and your family's first names.
- ✓ Do ask for permission from your family members before filming them.
- ✓ Do write or talk about things that interest you.

- X Don't share details of your address.
- X Don't do anything dangerous on camera that could potentially harm you or others.
- X Don't film anyone without asking or telling them first.
- X Don't mention yours or your family's surnames.
- X Don't swear or use inappropriate words.
- X Don't add music that you have not created yourself.

How to Enter

The project is open to children and young people aged 7-16 years old and parental consent will be required for all entries.

Entries can be submitted weekly via *Hwb*, and children and young people will need a *Hwb* email in order to enter 'Diff Diaries. If you have forgotten your *Hwb* email please contact: **cardiffcommitment@cardiff.gov.uk**

The project will come to an end one month after all schools re-open for statutory education.

Highlights of the entries will be shared weekly via the Cardiff Council and Cardiff Commitment social media channels using the hashtag:

#TheDiffDiaries #DyddiaduronDiff

To find out more information and how to submit an entry, please visit:

<https://sites.google.com/hwbcymru.net/the-covid-19-diff-diaries/home>

If you have any questions about 'The 'Diff Diaries' please email: **cardiffcommitment@cardiff.gov.uk** or contact us on **07790819982**

Follow for The 'Diff Diaries 'Best Bits'



FAQ's – The 'Diff Diaries

1. What is The 'Diff Diaries?

The 'Diff Diaries will provide children and young people with access to online resources to plan, produce, edit and upload either a weekly one-minute video diary entry, written diary entry or picture collage to document their experiences of living through the COVID-19 pandemic in Cardiff.

2. Where can children/young people find out more information about how to enter the project?

<https://sites.google.com/hwbcmru.net/the-covid-19-diff-diaries/home>

3. How can children/young people find out more information about how to create a video, photo collage or diary entry?

There will be guidance notes on The 'Diff Diaries' Hwb page which can be accessed by clicking on relevant icons.

4. What if a pupil wants use a diary template to document their experience?

The pupil or parent/carer can contact the Cardiff Commitment Team via email cardiffcommitment@cardiff.gov.uk or call 07790819982 to request a diary template to be sent by post.

5. Hwb emails are needed in order for children and young people to enter 'The 'Diff Diaries'. What if my pupil/child/young person doesn't have one or has forgotten what their Hwb email is?

If children/young people need to access their Hwb emails or they have forgotten their Hwb email details, please contact the school. If you need help with this please email cardiffcommitment@cardiff.gov.uk

6. How can parents consent to what their children are submitting?

Before the entries are submitted, the page will request consent from both child/young person and parent/carer on a google form and following this content can be uploaded.

A Consent and a Privacy Notice has been developed and signed off by the safeguarding in education team and information management team.

7. What happens if the content is inappropriate or concerning?

We have provided a list of 'Do's and Don'ts' on the Hwb page for the children to follow. If the content contains any of the 'Don'ts' then we will not approve the content.

All content will be approved by the Approval Team prior to upload and this team will have safeguarding training, a designated safeguarding offer and safeguarding process to follow should any content need to be referred due to any concerning content.

8. Will the content be shared on social media?

Throughout the project, weekly 'Diff Diaries Highlights will display a montage of video, picture collages and written diary entries on Cardiff Commitment and Cardiff Council social media accounts and other council platforms to encourage other children and young people to share their experiences. Highlights will be edited and show the weeks "Best Bits" as an English Medium and Welsh Medium "Mash Up" in line with Bilingual Cardiff advice and guidance.

Further information can be accessed in the Privacy Notice for The 'Diff Diaries.

9. What happens at the end of the project?

Following the recovery stage, one month after all children and young people have returned to school The 'Diff Diaries will come to a close and a Film Festival of shortlisted entries will take place showcasing the resilience and creativity of the city's youth. All shortlisted entries will be celebrated and recognised, in age and language categories by a panel of industry experts, community members, the local authority and children and young people.