

United Kingdom Committee for UNICEF (UNICEF UK)
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Dear Parents and carers,

As you may be aware, your child(ren) is taking part in **UNICEF UK's OutRight campaign** this year. Through OutRight children and young people are supported to learn about, and speak out on, **children's right to the best possible health and how strong health systems support this.**

As part of UNICEF UK's efforts to promote children's voices we want to make sure that decision-makers of all kinds understand:

- why this is an issue that children and young people care about
- how health and health systems affect children's rights

One way we plan to do this is by **sharing children's work on this critical children's rights issue**, with an important decision maker and their team at the **Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)** of the UK Government.

Your child(ren)'s Teacher or Youth Worker has decided this is an activity they want to undertake with the group.

How will we do this?

As a group, children and young people will produce a piece of work that demonstrates their learning on this topic and why they think this issue is important. The activity will allow them to express this in a format of their choice, such as a letter, poem, poster or comic book strip.

Teachers or facilitators have been instructed to screen the pieces that children and young people create, to ensure that they are not sharing any personal details about themselves or the group, beyond the class or group's name (e.g. Form 4B) and the school or organisation's name.

Teachers or facilitators will scan the piece of work and submit it to UNICEF UK as a PDF by uploading it to a secure online link that only the Advocacy and Creative teams at UNICEF UK will have access to. UNICEF UK will screen the messages too to ensure that no personal details, beyond class/group name and school/organisation, are shared.

UNICEF UK will then collate the variety of poems, posters, letters and more that have been submitted, and share these, alongside the group and school organisation's names, with an important decision maker and their team at the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) of the UK Government in 2023. We will request that they do not share the data more widely.

UNICEF UK will store the children's and young people's work on our secure server in a restricted access folder, until the end of December 2023.

What do you need to do?

If you are not happy for your child(ren) to take part in this activity, please ensure you advise their Teacher/Youth Worker of this by the date they share with you. If you have any questions about the activity or the campaign more broadly, you can talk to your child(ren)'s Teacher/Youth Worker or you can contact me using the details below.

Thank you for looking at this and helping us in our efforts to champion children's rights

Kind regards,
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