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At Home with Children: Learning from Lockdown - Phase 2

Hello!

We are Rosie, Sandra, Alkistis, Emily and Heba.

We would like to invite you to take part in our research project called: 'At Home with Children'. We would very much appreciate your help, but only you can decide whether or not you want to take part. To help you decide, please take your time to read this leaflet about the research and talk about it with your family. Even if you agree to take part now, you can stop any time you want to!

What is the research for?

We are researchers who want to make homes better for families. We are very interested to find out how children and their families have used their homes during the lockdown when they haven't had to go into school.

When our study has finished, we will share our findings with the people making policies for houses so better homes are built in the future. We will also make a toolkit with all the tips families share with us, to help other families to live more comfortably.

What will I have to do?

If you agree to join us, we will meet you and your family online and have a discussion together. We will not come to your home, but we will be able to see you and your family through the camera. Our chat will last about an hour. We will record our chat to help us remember what you told us. No one else apart from us will listen to the recording and we will delete it after we have written it down.

We will kindly ask if your family could share some photographs of the most important places in your home during lockdown. We will use these photographs to chat with you and be really interested to hear your stories. Maybe there is somewhere where you liked to be with family or connect with friends. Maybe you used a kitchen table or a desk to do your schoolwork? We do not want any people in the photos, only the places in your home! We are interested in exploring if you think there was enough space in your home for all the things you wanted to do and if there was enough space for the rest of your family.

After our interview, we will send you a booklet which, if you want, you can use to draw or write about these places, or maybe add anything you didn't say in our chat. We will ask you to send us this booklet so we can include your thoughts and drawings in our research.

What if I get bored or tired?

You can withdraw any time you feel like it! If you get bored or tired or for any other reason you want to stop being part of our discussion you can tell us, or just stop! If there is any problem during our discussion that makes you or anyone else uncomfortable, we would like to know so we can fix it.

We hope you will join us!