What is this all about?

You are being invited to take part in a nationwide project that wants to understand how life has changed during the COVID-19 pandemic. (You might have heard it talked about as “coronavirus”). People live in all different types of home. Some people live in flats and others in houses. You might live in a city or in the country, have a balcony, yard or garden. How people live and use the spaces in their homes is unique. We want to understand how the COVID-19 pandemic might have affected how children and young people understand and use their home spaces.

Who can take part?

You are a pupil in school year 7-11

You go to a participating school

1
DRAW A MAP OF HOME
You will work with your teachers to show us how you understand home by drawing a map.

2
SHARE YOUR MAP
You will work with your teachers to share your maps safely with us. They will become part of an exhibition at the RGS-IBG.

3
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
Your map will help teachers, policy makers and others understand your views.
The exhibition

All the maps can become part of an online exhibition with Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers). Each month we will highlight one map to be map of the month. Your name won’t be associated with your map, but we will use your school name and year group so you can find them. Perhaps your class will be map of the month? If you don’t want your map to be part of the exhibition, tell your teacher and your map won’t be uploaded.

Looking after your interests

You are free to leave the project at any time if you decide that you no longer want to be part of the project and it will not affect your school work or grades. If you do decide to leave and you do not want us to use some or all of the information you have shared with us, then tell your teacher and they will contact us so we can delete those things for you.

Anonymity: Is everybody going to know about me taking part in this study?

We will not tell other people that you are in this research and we won't share information about you to anyone who does not work in the research study. Any maps you create will be recorded using a number instead of your name so that nobody will know your identity. However, your school and year group will be listed in the exhibition next to your map.

Who to Contact: Who can I talk to or ask questions to?

You will find my email address below together with the website for the project. If you want to talk to someone else that you know, such as your teacher, a relative or friends, that's okay too.

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