



We are excited to launch a new project that children and young people across Bury can get involved in! Posting Positivity has been set up by Bury Youth Cabinet in partnership with Bury Grammar School. The idea is that we ask children and young people across the borough to write letters or draw pictures for people who are isolated during the covid-19 pandemic. We will vet the letters and facilitate their delivery via our community hubs and to residential care homes in the hope that we can help people to feel more connected to one another.

There is guidance below about what to write as we need to safeguard everyone taking part and must ensure that children and young people don't include any personal information about themselves. We have made arrangements with Tesco in Prestwich, Bury and Ramsbottom so that letters can be posted into boxes at these locations and we'll collect them. If people are unable to drop off their letters they can simply photograph them and email them to this address youthparticipation@bury.gov.uk

Posting Positivity - Guidance for writing your letter

Bury Youth Cabinet together with Bury Grammar school are inviting children and young people to write letters to people in our communities that are isolated during the covid-19 pandemic. The idea is that we can help people to feel less alone in these strange times.

We have some guidelines for your letters:

- Address your letter "Dear Friend"
- Sign your letter with your first name and age if you wish but please DO NOT include your surname, address or school. We don't want people that you don't know being able to contact you.
- You may wish to talk about things you have been doing in lockdown or could include a drawing or poem.
- You may wish to remind the person you are writing to that they are not alone and you are thinking of them at this difficult time.
- Please make sure that you do not include any personal information about specific clubs that you belong to or other personal details.
- Once you have written your letter pop it in an envelope and you can post it in one of our boxes at Tesco Prestwich, Tesco Bury or Tesco Ramsbottom.
- If you are unable to drop your letter at Tesco you can take a photograph of it and email it to youthparticipation@bury.gov.uk

All letters will be collected and vetted by staff at Bury Council before being delivered to people who are isolated and would like to receive them both in residential care homes and those living on their own. Any letters that contain personal information or any inappropriate content will not be used.