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School Pack for Kids

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WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY

20 November 2017

*Imagine a day you had a voice.
A day you were heard, listened to
and understood. Imagine a moment
when you could voice your message
for the world to hear.*

*On November 20, kids everywhere
will be raising their voices,
to help save children's lives,
to fight for their rights
and to help them
fulfil their
potential.*

Are you in?





Getting ready for World Children's Day

It's a day when kids around the world will raise their voices:

- for every child under the age of 5 who dies needlessly from preventable causes
- for every child who misses out on a chance to learn
- for every child affected by violence and poverty
- for every child who lives in conflict and crisis

You can be the change for every child. There are tons of ways for you to get involved.

YOUR VOICE NEEDED!

Kids everywhere will be raising their voices, to help save children's lives, fight for their rights and help them fulfil their potential on November 20

In the weeks leading up to World Children's Day, talk to your friends and classmates about how you would like to participate, speak up, have some fun and do some amazing things for other kids. Get creative.

If you need some inspiration, think about how you'd answer these questions:

1. If you had a superpower that could be used to improve the lives of young people, what would it be and how would you use it?
2. If you had to choose one thing you think every young person like you in the world has a right to, what would it be?

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What is #KidsTakeOverSchools

#KidsTakeOverSchools is a chance for you to help shine a spotlight on the most pressing issues facing your generation. It's a fun day, with a serious message.

Please pick **one or more** of the following 4 activities, or develop your own!

Remember that **World Children's Day** is on Monday November 20. Have fun. Be creative. Raise your voices and ask your teachers and parents to share your activities on social media at **#KidsTakeOverSchools**. If we get this right, every day will be World Children's Day.



Activity 1

Kids Take Over



Stand or sit in a circle, and using a blue ball (the symbol of World Children's Day), toss or roll the ball to a friend.

Whoever catches it has to say what changes they would make for every child if they took over the world. For example: "I would give every child enough to eat" or "I would give every child a home."

Keep in mind what children need, what they don't have now that they might need, and some of the child rights your teacher may have talked to you about already. Keep playing until everyone has had a turn.

Capture the best of these ideas through a story, picture or film clip, then share your wish for every child at **#KidsTakeOverSchools**



Activity 2



Design a World Children's Day emoji

Here's your inspiration. On World Children's Day, children around the world are coming together to save children's lives, to fight for their rights, and to help them fulfil their potential.

Now if you were going to design an emoji to invite your friend to **next year's** World Children's Day, what would it look like?

Draw it here. When you're done, ask your parents/teachers to share them on social media at **#KidsTakeOverSchools**.

Just maybe, your design could be chosen for next year!



Activity 3

Move the world for children

In the days leading up to World Children's Day, we'll be releasing a special music video with 'signature moves' just for kids. You can download a short, fun instructional video which will teach you the moves. Take part in this fun fitness exercise. Get creative about where you do it - in a classroom, assembly hall, gym, cafeteria or school yard.



With your parents and teacher's permission, film your class doing this activity and have them share it at **#KidsTakeOverSchools**. Just maybe, your video will be included in the World Children's Day global film!





Activity 4

Fundraise at your school

You and your school might decide to fundraise on World Children's Day to help other kids around the world. Fantastic!

Here are some ideas:

Be the Change – collect all your spare change and hold a Day of Change for other kids.

Cake Take Over – ask your top bakers to make their favourite treats and hold a cake sale for teachers, parents and other pupils.

Disco for Kids Rights – make a playlist of songs from around the world and charge a small amount for admission.

Sports Day – Did you know that the right to play is also a right that is recognized under the Convention of the Rights of the Child? Combine fundraising with your school's existing sports day. Charge friends and family to watch and sell refreshments to boost your fundraising.

Takeover Talent Time – Dance, sing and show your talents. World Children's Day is all about putting kids on the world stage. Sell tickets for your show to loved ones.

Get creative and come up with your own ideas. When your fundraiser is over, ask your parents or teachers to collect the money and donate it to UNICEF, to help children around the world.

Make your donations here:

<https://support.unicef.org/donate/supportWCD>



Why 20 November?

It's important to know why you're doing this today, and it all comes down to a very special birthday. November 20 is the anniversary of the signing of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

It's the most widely accepted human rights treaty in the world. The Convention covers every aspect of a child's life.

You can read a version, just for kids, right here. Article 12 – is all about **your right to be heard**.

So listen up and speak up! You have the right to raise your voice on the issues that are important to you. And you have the right to speak up and take action on behalf of children around the world - many whose voices are not being heard.

This is what's at the heart of **#KidsTakeOverSchools**.

Are you ready for
**World Children's
Day?** It's your day!
Make it your own.



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