What do you miss most about school/college/University? How different is it now to before? What is it like being at home more?

I miss face to face teaching and the instant response when you ask a question. It is very different now as you have to send an email and the answers could take days so you can’t complete the work and procrastinate and find other things to do.

I miss being with my friends and talking properly and having fun. It is good being at home more seeing more of my mam and sister and my dog and my dad when he comes home from work. It has helped to improve our relationships.

How do you feel inside, are you tired, scared, worried or confused? Who do you talk to about these feelings?

I feel tired and exhausted school-work is harder as we are given tasks to do but no lesson to go with it sometimes I don’t have a clue what I am doing I am scared that myself, family or friends will get ill from the virus I am worried about what will happen when I go back to school as I am missing out on a year of preparation to do my GCSE’s

How do you feel about your body? Are you doing much exercise? Do you get outside much?

I feel good about my body I have grown a bit and lost some weight and all my family tell me so it makes me feel good. I go cycling every other day with my mum and its great

Are you learning at home? Are you doing school work at home? What sort of things are you learning about? Are adults there to help you? Doing schoolwork but it is much harder to do and stay focussed. I am learning some new skills such as gardening. I meet on ZOOM with the youth forum every week and have been leading on setting up an environmental recycling competition for people and families in the borough. I am lucky as well because my mum and dad have good skills so they can help me with some school subjects

Do you think adults are listening to your views and feelings?
I am listened to in the Youth Forum and my parents listen to me but I don’t feel that school are listening

- It is important to know what is happening in times like this. Where do you get information from at the moment?
  I get information from facebook, Google and I watch the news everyday

- Some of us have extra help at school or outside school; are you able to get this at the moment?