

**Dear children of Gaza,
Rod, who I think you have met before, came to our school today and we saw some of your drawings (you're really good at drawing).**

I was on the verge of tears. I didn't know that the war was so bad. I had heard about it on the news, but all it said was things like a drone was sighted in the distance, but nothing more.

I wish I could raise awareness and money to rebuild your homes and lives. I have you in my hopes, thoughts, dreams and prayers.

**From
Beatrice.
A year 6 student.**

Dear Beatrice

Thank you so much for your kind concerns, I am really happy that you like our drawing, i know that many children around the world don't know about us, but i am glad that you get the message through our drawing. Your support through prayers to us will mean a lot of all the Palestinian children.

Suzan
8 years old

Whitehouse Rd,
Oxford

St Ebbe's School

Tuesday 9 January

Dear children of Gaza,

My name is Frankie Tucker. I am nearly eleven and I live in Oxford.

I went to my local gallery and saw your pictures. Your drawings were really good and made me realise what a hard life you have. I hope things are getting better.

I have some questions:

- How do you spend your spare time your spare time?
- What is the temperature like?

I hope to hear back soon.

Best wishes,

Frankie Tucker

Dear Frankie

I am Manar, I am 10 years living in jabalia camp, my area was bombed many times by the Israelis, I have lost my grandfather during the war, I still afraid from the idea of another new war in the area.

In our camp, we don't have a green areas or parks, I spent my time in playing with my friends in our roads, even our roads is only 2 feet width, but we still have a place to play.

Drawing is my favourite and only hoppy, because with drawing I will reach any place in the world and express my feelings (even if it was only in dreams),,

Looking forward to hear from you

Manar

Dear children of Gaza,

I am writing to say how upsetting I found your pictures, showing your city being bombed and shot at with horrendous weapons. I wish I could do something. I am really thinking of you.

I saw in your pictures your wildlife and buildings being crushed by bulldozers and tanks. It makes me feel all upset inside. I hope all goes well.

Yours truly,

Elliot Dawson

Dear Elliot

Just pray for us to not to face another war again, I have made a drawing with a magic umbrella to protect my family from airstrikes from the aeroplanes, this was before two year when I was 9 years old when my dreams leads me to think how can i protect myself and my family.

For me today, it seems that I can protect myself and my family if someone from outside our city support us and pray for us, by that we can achieve the umbrella that i am dreaming about.

Thank you Elliot for your support

Ahamad

11 years boy from Baitlaia

Dear children of Gaza,

This week Rob came in talk to us about your lives. We saw some of your moving drawings and we thought how difficult it must be in your situation.

I feel concerned for your circumstances and the problems you face. I would like to know more about what it is like to live in Gaza and your feelings towards it.

My thoughts are with you all the time and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,
Imogen Corey

Daer Imogen

It was the worst days in our life, many houses and buildings around us were totally destroyed by bombing from airplanes and tanks, the worst thing in the whole story is the sound of bombing and the bombing itself, because the sound is terrifying the children and me,

I pray always that these days will never get back and no child can ever face what we are facing now

Saleh , 9 years old

Dear children of Gaza,

My name Georgie, I am 11 years old and year 6. I know some of you are 11 too. I keep thinking how strange it would be if we changed places in the world. A few weeks ago our class were shown pictures you drew of your life and experiences in Gaza, and it looks terrifying.

I am trying to understand what you are going through, but I don't think I will ever really understand. Not properly.

I hope that you can stay positive, but it's obviously hard to stay happy when everything around you is so horrible.

I want to tell you to keep going, and be strong.

Best wishes,

Georgie, age 11.

Daer Georgie

I am AbdelAzeez 11 years boy from Jabalia camp, I have been drawing all the time to communicate with the virtual world, I suppose that I am sending my drawings to the virtual world and I have been drawing for Aliens, I am very happy that someone from this world has seen my drawings and trying to understand the conditions we live,

To stay a life you have to be positive even life is hard, but to keep going positive you need support, your message here is an emotional support that I need,

Hope to see you one day in Palestine or England,,

ABdelazeez

Dear children of Gaza,
My name is Calypso and I am 10 years old.

After watching a film about your life in Gaza, I now know how you have to cope with only little family left. I think you are very brave to experience heavy bombing, but lots of you are getting on with your lives and making the best of ;

I hope in the future that they will bring peace to your country and stop fighting so you have freedom.

From
Calypso Bressan, Age 11

Dear Calypso

Sometimes you are enforced to be brave, the war come without having the permission of the children in Palestine, I have lost a friend during the war, My school was also destroyed during the war, but that does not stop us from being positive in life.

It is a good feeling for me to know that some is caring about us and hope that we will see you in Palestine soon,,

Dalya 9 years old girl

Dear children of Gaza,

My name is Farzana. I am 10 years old and in year 6. I am writing to say that I am really sad to hear about the attack your country has faced. I am really glad to know that you're trying to sort out this disaster by going to school to get help.

I have seen your pictures. They were really effective and detailed. It's really touching because it shows all the hard work that you have put into creating the pictures.

I hope that you keep in touch with our school.

Yours sincerely,

Farzana

Dear Farzana

I am aber Jaber, 10 years old girl, I am very happy to write to you back, I don't know how the world is? But I believe that life of the people in the other areas is better than our life.

We express our feelings through the drawings because this is the way that we can sort out the disaster, we don't have parks and we don't have playgrounds, so the only message that we can send is through the drawings,,

I am very happy that there is children around the world that lives in a better life than ours, and hope that no one around the world ever suffer from the conditions we suffer now,,

Thank you again Farzana

Abeer

Dear children of Gaza,

My class and I have been looking at your pictures with a man called Rod and your pictures made me really sad and now I wish I could do something to help you.

When I looked at your pictures I learnt a lot about how you live and some of your experiences.

I hope that your situation will get better.

Best wishes,

Immaad

Dear Immaad

The translator has translated your letter and he tell me that your name is "Imad" like my best friend name, he is very good in drawing also,

I very happy to know that some one likes my drawing, drawing is my best hopyy because i can express all the facts and feelings through it,

Sure it was a very hard drawings, but i can defend my rights through drawing and express my hopes toward the future through it,,

Thank you Imad

Samer 10 years old/Baitlahia

Dear Children of Gaza,

I couldn't imagine how you were feeling while you were under attack. You must have been scared and felt trapped. It must feel even worse thinking everyone around you is watching thinking no one cares.

I saw your pictures and they made me tremble. They seemed real and to think children of my age and younger are losing people close to them and all of them makes me think how lucky I am. And to think you go to school and live your normal life is amazing and brave, very brave.

Thank you very much for reading.

Yours truly,

Lucy Eckton

Dear Lucy

I am Dina 11 years girl from Jabalia, It was very hard for us to live under attack, we have been living in area that was mostly destroyed during the war, we did not get back to our house till now because it was not rebuilt, war is the worst thing that human can have, we should all spread the culture of peace between humans to insure that no war will happen again

Dina

Dear Children of Gaza,

My class and I have been researching about the war in Gaza and we send our condolences for any losses suffered. I am going to try all I can to cheer you up.

A man called Rod came in and showed us some of your drawings. We have already seen them a year ago but now Rod has explained each little detail in full for us and now we also know the messages you were implying in the pictures.

Even if everything seems as if it is going to collapse, don't worry. Even if it takes five years, everything will rebuild and life will go back to normal. Even already the war looks like it is going to end.

Again, I am very sorry for your losses. I hope I can write again soon.

Yours truly,

Ryan Lee

Dear Rayan

I am shatha from jabalia 10 years old, we will rebuild the destroyed house, but we cannot bring back the people whom have lost their life.

I have made drawings about Gaza war through a drawing activities that someone from Denmark has supports us at that time.

I have been trying to tell the world that you should do something to insure that such war will not happen again, because it is the worst thing ever happened to anyone, even our dog has died from terrifying through the war, it was a Spanish dog and that my father brings from abroad.

You can support us by prying that war will not happen,,

Than you Rayan

Shatha