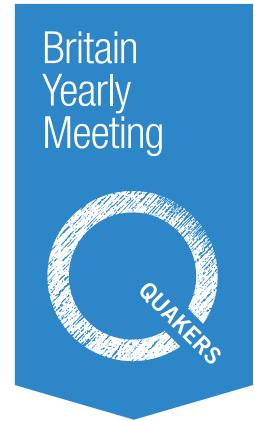


Children and Families Programme

0–7s Minute

YMG 2021



The 0–7s children and families' group have met each morning this week for 45 minutes.

The children – from 9 months to 6 years old – have engaged well online taking everything in their stride.

We adapted Yearly Meeting Gathering themes to suit under 7s. We have been exploring ourselves, the world around us and what is important to and for each of us.

The children have shared who they are and what goes on in their own worlds – the games they play, their families, friends and what they enjoy doing. Their energy for life was shown in their eagerness to participate. They made trains out of Lego, Meccano, boxes and used their own train sets. They also made beautiful animals to go on their trains.

They made dens at home and brought their photos to show us. They made lollipop people and brought them back to show us. They shared who their little person was and what they are called. We made our contribution to COP26 with messages on green hearts to send to Glasgow.

The children used their imaginations in delightful and moving ways.

All engaged with short periods of worship as a time to reflect at the end of our sessions.

Families have expressed their appreciation of the quality and content of each session.

Being online has its restrictions but seeing the children's smiles and hearing their responses to the activities made it all worthwhile.