

World Children's Day is UNICEF's annual day of action 'for children, by children.' Every year on November 20 – the anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child – children around the world take over roles in politics, business, media, sports, entertainment, schools and other institutions that are normally run by adults.

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A #KidsTakeover is a way to advocate and raise awareness on the most pressing issues facing children. They are a manifestation of children's rights and a way to show that every child has the right to be heard, to participate, and to play a role in the civic life of their society.

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- **Ask students** themselves what opportunities and processes they would like to have in school to demonstrate their right to be heard and taken seriously.
- **Student teachers:** Students share their expertise, skills or ideas by running a workshop for other students – or even for teachers.
- **Student councils or committees:** Students have the opportunity to speak to their student council representatives and discuss issues or ideas.
- **Open Door Day:** Teachers leave their door open for any students to come in

and discuss a child rights issue.

- **Invite a local newspaper or radio station into your school:** for students to have the opportunity to describe their celebrations and learnings to a wider audience.
- **Tell the wider school community:** Invite parents or guardians to come into school to listen to a student-delivered presentation on the Convention.
- **Host a school debate:** Organise a school debate on a child rights topic.
- **Student mentors:** Pair older students with younger students for mutual mentoring.
- **Take action in your community:** Support students to exercise their rights in their local community by expressing their views to local government representatives.
- **Make your school blue:** Ask students and teachers to dress in blue or decorate your school on 20th November to celebrate World Children's Day!
- **Most importantly,** please involve children and young people throughout the process, from planning to execution to stay true to the *for children, by children* spirit of the day.

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