

## My lockdown experience by George Redding Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

In March 2020 the Coronavirus bomb EXPLODED!!!! And spread rapidly like Usain Bolt across planet Earth. It started in China and in about 3 weeks it was in England.

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March Boris Johnson, the English Prime Minister, announced from Downing Street that we weren't going to school, the country was going into Lockdown on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and I was really happy about not going back to school.

At the start of lockdown, I felt scared about Coronavirus. I thought it was someone running around the UK giving people Coronavirus. If you got it, you could go to hospital and you could die. You caught it by touching people and shaking hands. Boris said "STAY HOME - PROTECT THE NHS - SAVE LIVES!" and we were told to keep washing our hands with soap for 40 seconds whilst singing happy birthday. My hands got sore because of all that washing.

To start I was ok about not seeing my friends. I played on the PS4 with my Daddy because he was on furlough and we played on a racing game (I'm better than daddy!!).

I felt more protected by Mummy and Daddy whilst being at home. But Nala (my cat) has been so so so so so so miserable. When I am doing really well on a game and I'm on a high level, she goes meooooooooow!! (Stupid Cat).

Mummy set me up on skype with Harry, Saahib, Elliot, Gabriel, and George O. Then I joined an online game called Roblox with them. I play with everyone and my favourite game is called vehicle tycoon and I have got a Bugatti Chiron super sport – wow!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.

During Lockdown we did a 5K run. We didn't stop running for 45 minutes! I felt very happy I completed it. I deserved a medal from [www.couchto5k.com](http://www.couchto5k.com) I will be happy that I will be able to show the boys in Y3 when I go back.

We also have movie nights every Friday evening. We do a pub quiz on YouTube on Thursday evenings with Nanny and Grandad by video call on WhatsApp. Grandad makes us laugh, when he gets a question right he says "Thank You" in his London accent.

I've also learnt to ride my bike. I fell in love with sportscars like Lamborghini, Bugatti, Ferrari, Bentley, Aston Martin, McLaren, Tesla and Koenigsegg.

I am also world famous now on YouTube. And over lockdown I have had 10 New subscribers. I enjoy it very much, but one thing on YouTube is Mummy doesn't subscribe to me awww.

Every morning I do my school work with Mummy. I Wizz through maths. I sometimes get really tired in English, but I feel more happy because I get my school work done much faster - yea. When I finish my school work I update my youtube channel and maybe do a video. I will have 4 views in like 1 minute!!!!!!.

I was very sad during lockdown, I missed Grandad and not going to Birmingham to watch villa play. In Birmingham there are really nice sportscars and I don't get to see them. I really miss playing hide and seek, tag with my friends. I have missed playing with Harry closely and everyone else and missed play dates I want lockdown over - lockdown sucks.

Today is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020, I haven't been to school for 12 weeks. It makes me feel a bit all over the place. I also haven't been to shops, Restaurants, cinema, football training and matches with Chase Predators, the Villa, on Holidays, Swimming, Cubs (I've done it online), play dates in friends' houses, days out, trips to London and the hairdressers! All to save lives and stay safe.

In the last couple of weeks, we have been able to do more stuff. Daddy has gone back to work, we have been able to meet our friends in the park and play football (not tackling though) and what we must do when we see people is SOCIAL DISTANCE!!!!!! WE MUST KEEP 2 METRES APART AT ALL TIMES And keep washing our hands.

I have not seen anyone except Harry, Gabriel and George O'Hare face to face in the last month. I feel okay when I see them, but we can't get closer than 2 meters. I love a good game of football with my friends. We pass the ball and we don't pick the ball up with our hands. We dribble the ball (not dribble like a baby would though). We also ride our bikes around the park, but we stay 2 meters apart or we would crash. I play hide and seek around the park too!

We joined a bubble with Nanny over the weekend and it was fantastic. I had my first cuddle for a long time, and it made me feel like I was in a world of my own.

I don't know when lockdown will be over and when everything will be back to normal. I wish it could end soon! Mummy says lockdown could go on for a long time and very slowly things will change and go back to a different type of normal.

In the next 6 months we won't go on holiday, because the country we might visit might still have covid19 and it won't be safe on the plane.

I hope normal comes soon and coronavirus is gone. I want to go to London and get on the Piccadilly line and head to Knightsbridge to see the supercars vroom vroom going at 95MPH down the road. For my birthday in September, I would like to go to a car show and see cars racing past us. Have a party and go go-karting somewhere where my Grandad will come over to watch. I want Grandad to come and stay and give him a mahoosive hug and kiss too and I hope he will come for Christmas too.

But for now we have to keep 2 meters apart and control the virus until the scientists make a vaccine to stop people from getting the coronavirus.

Thank you very much for reading

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