

My name: Jax

My town: Surf Coast

My COVID19 experience

Hi my name is Jax and I am 12 years old.

I live with my family on the Surfcoast of Victoria. My three words to describe 2020 are challenging, tough and educational.

I feel so lucky to have had my family during lockdown, but it's been hard. Trying to learn from home has been challenging. It's been tough not seeing my friends. But I also think it's been educational for me and the world as we have had to learn more about how we all cope with uncertainty and changes.

My act of intersectional kindness came when my friends, Sally and Catherine invited me to be part of a story about dinosaurs. Sally wrote a story and I got to illustrate it. Then it was made into a film about a younger dinosaur called Jaxasaurus (that's me) who is taught how to roar by an older dinosaur Salosaurus (that's my friend Sally).

My friend Catherine (she's the one in the picture with me), you might know her, she started the Kindness Pandemic and is amazing, helped me work out what to draw and how to finish the story. Catherine always looks out for me and gives me confidence and strength to be me.

An act of intersectional kindness

Being a kid and being transgender, I need help to be me. My mum, my dad and my sisters are always there, but then again, they have to be. Being a part of the making of The Roar showed me that I have a whole community around me who I can rely on and who help make the world a better place for me and other transgender kids. Learning to Roar and being a part of the Dinosaur Squad is an act of kindness I will be forever grateful for.