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Hi and welcome to Newsreel, I'm Kate Holland.

Coming up:

Life at university under Covid:

Grace: "It's been harder to stay self-motivated and find spaces to work."

But first:

LGBTQ + Loneliness

Young LGBTQ+ people are twice as likely as their straight peers to struggle with their mental health during the pandemic.

That statistic is according to a report by the charity *Just Like Us*. It found that young LGBTQ + people are also twice as likely to feel lonely. I spoke to Amy Ashenden from *Just Like Us*

Amy Ashenden: Half of pupils say that they have had little to no positive messaging about being LGBTQ+ from their school in the past year. They really need to know that school is a safe and welcoming place where they can fully be themselves and feel comfortable to be out if they want to be and to talk to a teacher if they need help or support.

The charity also found that young LGBTQ+ people who are black, lesbian or from poorer families, were at even greater risk of feeling isolated.

Amy Ashenden: They might be struggling to access the support networks that they usually would have available to them. And they also might be living with family that are unaccepting.

Jonny: I worry about my mental health every day. I worry about being lonely.

LGBTQ+

HBTQ+, lesbiska, homosexuella, transsexuella, queer och andra som inte definierar sig som heteronormativa

straight peers

heterosexuella kamrater

struggle with

kämpa med

charity

välgörenhetsorganisation

to be out

att vara ute (om sexuell läggning)

support

stöd

to access

få tillgång till

That's Jonny. He's 20 and from Manchester. He spoke to us about his mental health during the pandemic.

Kate: Why do you think LGBT+ people have been particularly affected by the pandemic?

Jonny: Our experiences at times can be more isolating than others, because we're also missing at times the social interaction with people who see us for us. See us as their LGBT+ peers. We're missing that aspect of community within the LGBT+ group.

Jonny also has some advice for other young LGBTQ+ people.

Jonny: If you can get involved in as many LGBT+ things you can build that community so that when we're at the end of the pandemic you can come out of it with a great group of friends who you consider part of your community.

University and Covid-19

In Sweden University is free. In the UK it isn't, we have to pay for it. Now, one in five students think the online teaching they're receiving at university during the Covid lockdown is not good enough.

We've been investigating what students think about these issues.

Grace is 20, and studying English at the University of Newcastle. She thinks that although most of the online teaching has been good, it's been difficult to finish all her work.

Grace: It's been a bit harder to stay self-motivated and like find spaces to work.

Grace is about to finish her degree, but she doesn't feel ready to get a job when her course ends.

Grace: We've been so disconnected from sort of routine and people for so long it will be strange entering the world of work.

Georgia is 20 years old and is studying biomedical science in London. But she's had to live at home in Newcastle during lockdown.

Georgia: What I have struggled with is accessing textbooks or recommended reading that have been given to support my lectures. Normally I would be able to access these through the library, however as I've not been in London I've had to purchase these resources online.

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särskilt

experiences

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social interaction

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disconnected

frånkopplade

struggled with

kämpat med

accessing

att få tillgång till

lectures

föreläsningar

purchase

köpa

Kate: So, do you think it's been worth the cost of your degree?

Georgia: In all honesty, no. Communication has been lost at some points and resources have been lacking.

Some universities are offering students small refunds on their course fees. But this isn't an option for most students.

Our thanks to Grace and Georgia.

That's all for today. I'll be back on the 27th March with more Newsreel stories. Good bye!

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refunds

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fees

avgifter

experience

upplevelse