

**WEEK 2 – Our kids & their future**

When our babies are born they are perfect to us. We cocoon them and nurture them and gently release them into the world. This week we ask mums. What do you hope for your kids future in this world? What do you fear for your kids future in this world?

I guess, like everyone at the moment, I desperately hope there actually is an alternative reality where unfettered capitalism hasn't doomed his beautiful planet and future and he can somehow magically snap over to a place where people are kind and think as a whole.

Other than that, I guess he's a bit young to marry Jacinda...

So...resilience and strength - enough strength and conviction in himself to be truly kind to himself and therefore others.

I hope for contentment, and enough self confidence, knowledge and wisdom to make the right decisions, and follow their own path. My fear is a path that leads to mental health issues, and unfulfilled potential. Oh, plus world peace and environmental sustainability!

mental health concerns are my biggest worry. So many of friends kids who are of a similar age already have daily struggles. It frightens me. So much pressure to make decisions, perform well, be happy. I keep trying to say to mine it's fine, relax, take a chill pill while also trying to help them make good decisions, work hard and be happy. Push and pull.

My son is 12. He's a sensitive, intelligent and caring young man. My immediate hope is that he gets through the next few years without losing those beautiful traits that aren't always easily accepted in young men.

Yes the dire situation of the mental health support services are a concern with our young as they have a lot of change to process and pressure to perform for a future that is somewhat questionable. I fear they wont have much clean food & water because the earth and atmosphere is so poisoned & the country will be ruled by military.

I HOPE that we stop hurting mother earth and each other for the sake of a dollar and they survive this charade of material happiness

I wish for my children to have humility and the courage to be true to themselves.

I worry that there are so many appalling role models out there that suggest the opposite.

God me too! I'm grateful for the excellent men in my life but to raise male feminists which is my mission, needs support constant vigilance and questioning. It can be exhausting.

I hope my daughter will always love her body and feel confident in her skin. I fear that she will fall victim to diet culture and body shaming.

this is my fear too, something I am trying to combat from even this early age by being positive about my body, my kids bodies, that the word is full of all types of body etc..... we still have to combat the marketing machines of the world but i'm trying very hard to stop any negativity coming from me

resilience and creativity

I hope for my children a liveable world  
in which to grow old  
a kind world in which the vulnerable are not disposable  
in which those that stand up are not shot down  
My biggest fear is that my children  
will not to have children themselves  
because the world cannot survive another generation  
or another generation cannot survive  
that the world is  
too harsh, too broken  
that small joys are harder to rejoice in  
and hope is thin on the ground  
vs rationed fresh water and AI

I hope that my children have a mental resilience in being able to cope with the tough stuff in life, I hope that they grow up to be kind and generous beings, I hope that they have a positive outlook on life, and that they have the opportunity to realise some of their potential. I fear watching their hearts get broken for the first time ( and second and third times), and I fear that they will experience social anxiety as they move through their teenage years, I fear the moment when I have to tell them I am dying or that their father is dying and fear for how they will cope without us.