

The poem was created by Year 7 students who attend Kingsway Park's Alpha provision, which supports international new arrivals developing their English language skills.

They worked with Chris Jam on behalf of Cartwheel Arts to express their feelings about the attack in Manchester.

Love Manchester, Love Life

How do we feel
When bombs become real?
Scared, sad, sorry, emotional, confused?
None of them, one of them, some of them
All of them.
That's how we feel when bombs become real.

What do we say to the victims and families?
Difficult words, where do we start?
We cry with you, inside and out.
Remember the good times, the love and the smiles
Take care of yourselves. We share our heart.
That's what we say to the victims and families.

What do we say to attackers and bombers?
Find your heart!
Keep your hate!
Learn to love!
Be true to God!
That's what we say to attackers and bombers.

What do we say to the world out there?
Violence doesn't stop violence.
Don't judge by skin or faith.
Religion is not the problem.
We will not hate.
That's what we say to the world out there.
Love God, love life, love each other.

