

TIMMY

THE  
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TUMOUR

# I am not an expert.

everything I talk about is my lived experience.

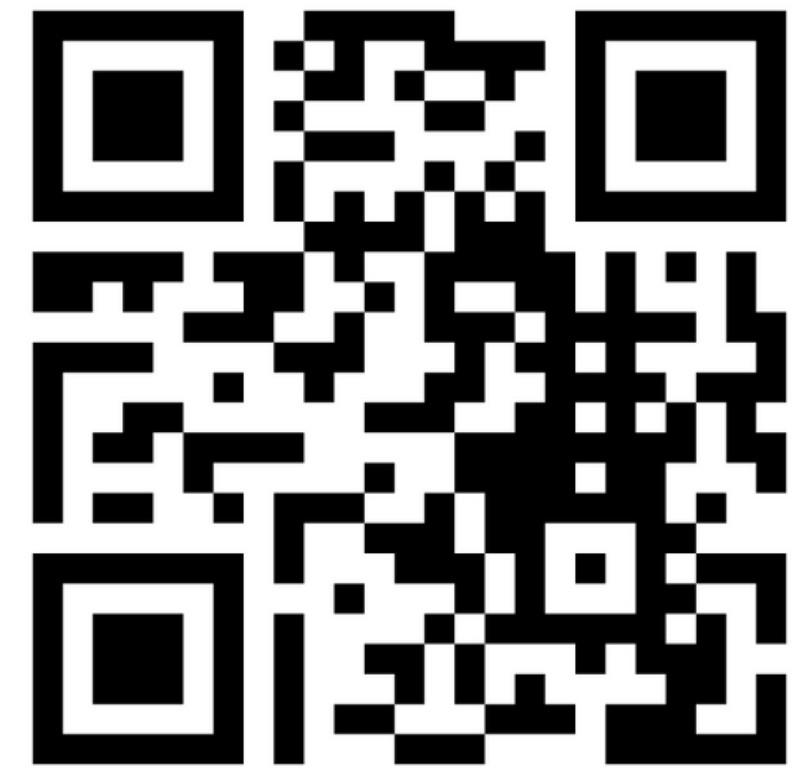


# LET'S START WITH AN ACTIVITY.



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what if someone told you  
that these things don't  
matter?

what if someone told you  
how YOUR LIFE should  
look. Told you that the  
things you call strengths  
don't matter. Based on  
your disability or mental  
health diagnosis. Because  
you are different.

# ABOUT ME.

more importantly who is  
Timmy?

At the age of 3 I was diagnosed with Timmy the Tumour .  
I should explain this is a brain tumour, specifically a  
benign pilocytic astrocytoma or Timmy for short!





# PEOPLE TOLD ME THAT...

- I was a failure
- Give up
- going to fail with or without support.
- stupid
- Tumour Boy



# WHAT IS IT LIKE TO LIVE WITH TIMMY?

*It's interesting to say the least.*

After undergoing surgery at age 3, I had another surgery at 6 years old. While maintaining my health through regular check-ups and MRIs I began living what you might call a 'normal' life. . Until my first year at University when...



# TIMMY REAPPEARED

Towards the end of my first year I began having signs and symptoms and knew something was wrong. However, people around me put it down to not enough sleep, bad diet and not taking care of myself.





# A CONVERSATION WITH MY DOCTOR.

Am I going to be okay?..

After asking this question I felt a wave of emotion. Among the increase in feelings came fear because I was scared of things going wrong and didn't want things to go badly.

**WHAT DOES THIS  
MEAN IN PRACTICE?**



**“YOU TREAT A DISEASE, YOU WIN, YOU LOSE. YOU TREAT A PERSON, I GUARANTEE YOU, YOU’LL WIN, NO MATTER WHAT THE OUTCOME.”**

**NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US.**

**-JAMES CHARLTON-**

**YOU CAN LIVE  
WELL WITH A  
DIAGNOSIS.**





**THERE IS**  
**HOPE.**

**THANK YOU**

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