

Poor Kids

9.00pm **BBC3**

DOCUMENTARY Jezza Neumann's quietly passionate film about child poverty in Britain unleashed a tide of protest after it was first shown earlier this year. There were questions in Parliament and hundreds of emails to production company True Vision offering to help the children involved.

Poor Kids reveals the raw, difficult lives of a handful of bright, articulate and charming children who all have far too much insight into the shortcomings of their domestic life. Such as Courtney (eight), who often has to skip meals and for dinner has what she calls "a big version of a sausage roll". She suffers from terrible eczema, which she scratches until it bleeds because "it makes me feel calmer". **Alison Graham**