

VOTESFORSCHOOLS

Can we learn more outside the classroom? (Primary & Secondary) 27th Mar 2020 – 03rd Apr 2020

Question Primary:

“Can you learn more without a classroom?”

Question Secondary:

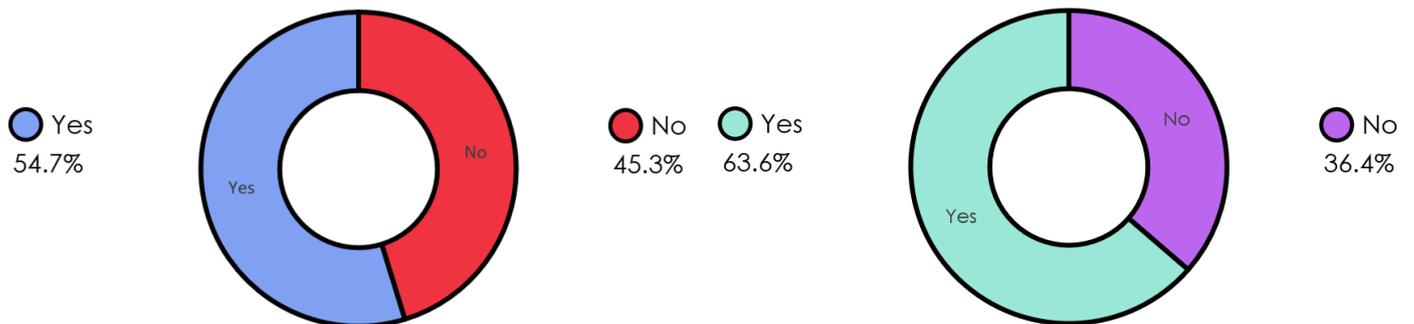
“Can we learn more outside the classroom?”

Due to the Coronavirus crisis, schools in the UK were mostly closed this week. As a result, students/pupils instead engaged with our content from home. While usually our votes are logged by teachers, we set up links for students/pupils and parents to vote independently. The response was overwhelming as many took the opportunity to have their voice heard from home.

Grand Total

Primary: Yes 54.74%
No 45.26%

Secondary: Yes 63.61%
No 36.39%

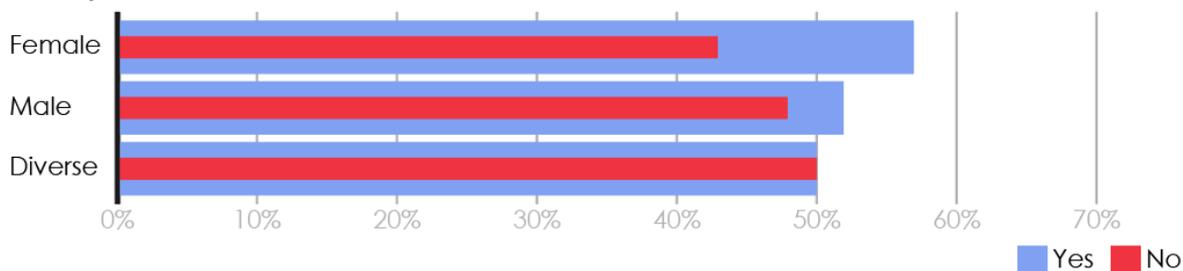


Primary pupils discussed the question “**Can you learn more without a classroom?**” and Secondary students debated the question “**Can we learn more outside the classroom?**”. 54.7% of Primary pupils and 63.6% of Secondary students agreed that Yes, they can learn more outside the classroom.

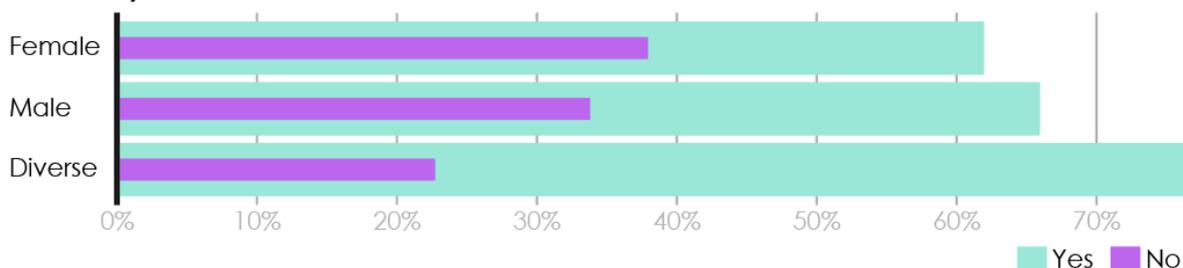


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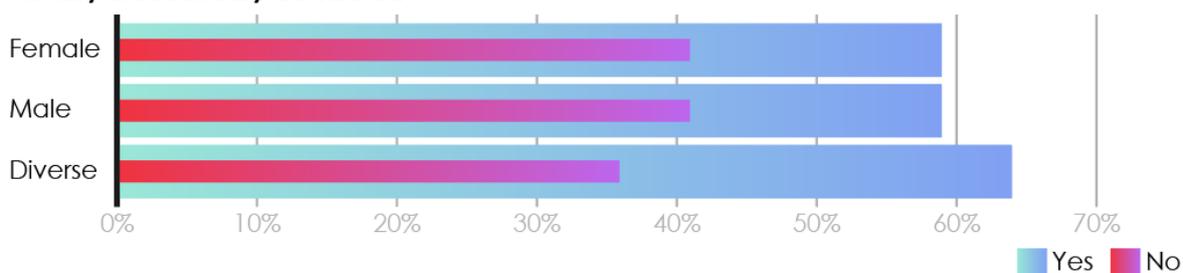
Primary



Secondary



Primary & Secondary Combined



Primary:

	Yes %	No %
Female	56.95%	43.05%
Male	52.25%	47.75%
Diverse	50.00%	50.00%

In **Primary schools 4.7% more female pupils said Yes** to the question “Can you learn more without a classroom?” compared to male voters.

Secondary:

	Yes %	No %
Female	61.58%	38.42%
Male	65.59%	34.41%
Diverse	77.27%	22.73%

In **Secondary schools** this difference was reversed, as **4% fewer female students said Yes**, compared to male voters.

Primary & Secondary School Total:

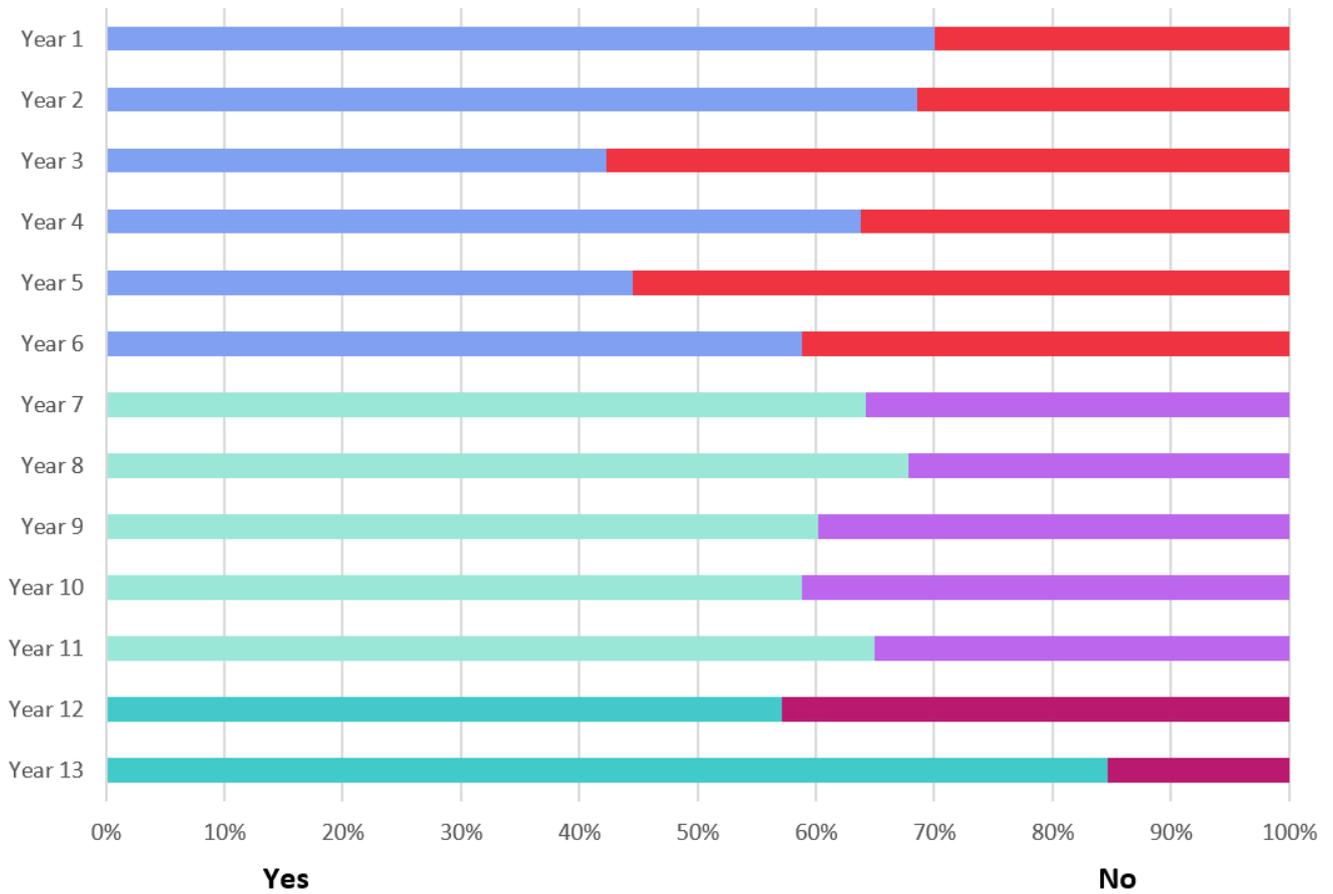
	Yes %	No %
Female	61.14%	38.86%
Male	64.28%	35.72%
Diverse	73.08%	26.92%

In **Primary schools, gender diverse pupils had the smallest percentage of Yes votes** with 2,2% fewer than males and 6,9% fewer than females saying Yes. However, in **Secondary schools, gender diverse students had the largest percentage of Yes votes** with 11,7% more than males and 15,7% more than females saying Yes.



Age

Year Group	Yes %	No %
1	70.00%	30.00%
2	68.57%	31.43%
3	42.31%	57.69%
4	63.83%	36.17%
5	44.57%	55.43%
6	58.82%	41.18%
7	64.24%	35.76%
8	67.79%	32.21%
9	60.23%	39.77%
10	58.84%	41.16%
11	64.94%	35.06%
12	57.14%	42.86%
13	84.62%	15.38%
Parent/Caregiver	0.4	0.6





Students' Comments

"There are so many **resources on the internet**: websites, e-books, videos or podcasts. All of them are great resources that you can use to **extend your knowledge**, or just **improve subjects you struggle with**."

Secondary School, Essex

"There is **no time pressure** at home, so it is easier and also since there are **less stricter rules** you are **less stressed**."

Secondary School, Essex

"Usually in classrooms you would just stare at a board but **outside the classroom you can actually test things out**."

Secondary School, Surrey

"I find it **easier to concentrate at home** and do more work because there isn't anyone to distract me and **no peer pressure** not to be a 'bangout'"

Secondary School, Surrey

"You can get **help from parents**. In school you have to wait for the teacher's attention as there are **lots of pupils in the class**."

Primary School, Merseyside

"I learn better outside of the classroom because I can **get more work done** and then I feel **satisfied with having a productive day**."

Primary School, West Midlands

"I miss school and my friends, but **I can still have lots of fun at home with my siblings**. We are working through the set work each day, which is giving me a **good purpose**."

Primary School, Merseyside

"We do exercise every morning before 'school' to feel energised. We always mix it up **and I get to choose what subject I want to do first**."

Primary School, London

"I like working at home because, you **might have a bit more play time**. You can learn the things that you enjoy more and **learn with my sister**."

Primary School, Merseyside

"You can learn more without a classroom, however it'd be **easier to get help in school**, as there is a teacher that is readily available to help when you are stuck on a certain topic or skill. PLUS it is sad at home as you do not have your friends with you."

Primary School, Oxfordshire



"At home there are **too many distractions** and it's **easy to get unfocused** so I'm less productive. But I can **work at more convenient times** when I get more done, so later in the day."

Secondary School, West Yorkshire

"At home there is **a lot more distractions** and a lot more noise."

Secondary School, Surrey

"We have been getting **more work than what we get in our lessons**. Also, it is easier at school because the **support** you need is right there."

Secondary School,
East Riding of Yorkshire

"I personally prefer to do work in class because there is **someone making sure that I do my work**, but at **home it's harder to concentrate** and actually do the work because there is no one helping you do the work."

Secondary School, West Midlands

"When I'm at home, there are a **lot more distractions** because I have all my toys and gadgets...and I miss all my friends."

Primary School, London

"You can get **very distracted at home** and/or confused if your parents are at work. Teachers help and it's often much easier face to face. Also, some pupils can't **access the internet** or have to share a computer."

Primary School, West Midlands

"I find it easier to learn at school as **the environment is right**. At home, there are distractions like my toys and my little sister. The **technology and learning aids we have at school are a great help**."

Primary School, London

"I prefer learning at school because you're supported by your friends **and if you're stuck you can ask your teacher** and they will help you out so you do not struggle and they can explain the lesson to you instead of just watching a video that does not interact with you like teachers."

Primary School, West Midlands