



# The Opinion Kiosk

**A research project conducted by  
The Isle of Wight Youth Trust on behalf of  
The Isle of Wight Child and Adolescent  
Mental Health Service.**

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## OVERVIEW / INTRODUCTION

This report has been commissioned by the Isle of Wight Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) and produced by the Isle of Wight Youth Trust.

The Isle of Wight Youth Trust undertook a consultation exercise on behalf of the CAMHS Operational Group between December 2007 and April 2008, using software especially devised for this type of undertaking. The software is called the 'Opinion Kiosk'.

The Opinion Kiosk is a software package that was developed by the Isle of Wight Youth Trust in partnership with Portsmouth University and is integrated within the [www.greengoldfish.com](http://www.greengoldfish.com) website.

The purpose of the report was to gain an initial "snapshot" of mental health amongst young people on the Isle of Wight so service need and benchmarking could be developed and improved in order to provide appropriate support.

The CAMHS Operational Group submitted a range of questions for inclusion and these were then taken into consideration when developing the survey. The survey and the project plan were given approval by the Isle of Wight Council's Research Governance Committee.

A total of **13** middle schools were visited between February and April 2008 and **792** valid responses were received.

The participating schools were:

- Bishop Lovett Middle School, Ryde, Isle of Wight
- Kitbridge Middle School, Newport, Isle of Wight
- Downside Middle School, Newport, Isle of Wight
- Lake Middle School, Lake, Isle of Wight
- West Wight Middle School, Freshwater, Isle of Wight
- Forelands Middle School, Bembridge, Isle of Wight
- Osborne Middle School, East Cowes, Isle of Wight
- Nodehill Middle School, Newport, Isle of Wight
- Mayfield Middle School, Newport, Isle of Wight

- Solent Middle School, Newport, Isle of Wight
- Swanmore Middle School, Ryde, Isle of Wight
- Ventnor Middle School, Ventnor, Isle of Wight
- Sandham Middle School, Sandown, Isle of Wight

Archbishop King, Trinity and Somerton Middle Schools were not able to be included on this occasion as they were unfortunately unable to take part in this survey due to other commitments.

The sessions were run in school ICT suites and were supervised by the Youth Researcher and/or a Year 8 teacher who were available at all times to clarify survey questions and answer any pupil queries that arose during the session.

All surveys (with the exception of Forelands Middle) were completed online using the Opinion Kiosk software accessed with a PASSWORD through [www.greengoldfish.com](http://www.greengoldfish.com) and took approximately 45 minutes to complete.

In order to gain an accurate reflection of the issues that were facing young people on the Isle of Wight, it was important that the respondents remained anonymous.

The surveys were all completed confidentially and this was explained to all pupils before the survey was undertaken. All pupils were given the opportunity to “opt out” of taking part in accordance with our research governance agreement.

This report is designed to be a glimpse into some of the issues that may face the Isle of Wight young people as they make the transition into becoming young adults attending High school.

It does offer some unique insights, especially through the inclusion of open questions. This allows us to get a good understanding from the perspective of individuals. Many of these have been included within this report and as such have been quoted “verbatim” to ensure accuracy, so please take the time to read them.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the pupils and teachers of the 13 schools that I visited for their enthusiasm towards the research and for the flexibility and assistance which they afforded me in compiling the responses and data required to produce this report.

A downloadable copy of the report can be downloaded from [www.greengoldfish.com](http://www.greengoldfish.com).

## **ISLE OF WIGHT YOUTH TRUST**

The stated aim of the Youth Trust is “to provide for the advancement of education and training, the preservation of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness amongst young persons in the Isle of Wight”.

Effectively, the purpose of the Youth Trust is to improve the quality of life of young people (up to the age of 25) living on the Isle of Wight by providing a wide range of services.

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## **KEY FINDINGS**

The key findings of the report were as follows:

### **LEARNING**

#### School

Most students felt that 'Fun Teaching' and computers were the most important factors in helping them to achieve success in school. Boredom and noise were a contributing factor in preventing them from learning. Travel to and from school did not seem to be an issue for respondents.

Libraries didn't seem to be a contributory factor in regards to learning. However, with the increase in available IT equipment and the information available on the internet, this would point to most research being conducted online.

#### Home

Pupils highlighted computers and support from parents and guardians in helping them to learn effectively at home, with a fifth of respondents also highlighting that music helped them with their studying.

Again, the availability of computers and the internet at home would probably indicate why books did not feature highly as an aid to study at home. The major distractions, however, are television, followed by computer games and mobile phones. Approximately 20% of respondents felt that the homework set and the lack of a computer prevented them from learning.

84% of respondents believed that the amount of sleep they get affects their performance at school. The majority of students thought that seven to nine hours sleep per night or more was adequate to perform well at school and even more actually say they are achieving that amount every night

### **BULLYING / SAFETY**

*Bullying does seem to be a significant issue amongst pupils at all of the Island Middle Schools surveyed. There was a consistent understanding of the types of behaviour that constituted bullying, with violence, name calling, threats and cyber bullying all equally recognised. The majority of respondents felt that just one incident of this nature should be classed as bullying.*

*An interesting aspect, reading through the text responses, was that it seemed to be the fear of bullying as opposed to actual incidents occurring that worried pupils. Many of the respondents offered their insight into why they thought bullying occurs, and a real awareness of the sadness it can cause. A small number did say that they had sometimes felt that they had been victims of bullying.*

*Approx 40 % of students felt safe at home and a quarter said they felt safe with an adult and at school, however being on the bus and on the street posed the biggest worry for their safety with only 6% saying they felt safe.*

*The Youth Trust would recommend that further research be undertaken into bullying, its affects and possible solutions.*

## **SELF IMAGE / WELLBEING**

### Image

When with their friends, almost half of all the pupils who responded to the survey felt happy and confident with their image, although some also listed words such as 'intimidated' and 'embarrassed'. This would suggest that behaviour and relationships could sometimes conflict.

Self image seemed to be an issue for most, with only 12% of pupils saying that image was not important to them. The majority of respondents stated that they had felt that others would see them as having an OK or Good image. This was an almost identical response as to how they view themselves.

Almost half of pupils felt that their image affected their life sometimes, with around 40% saying that image affects them regularly, if not a lot.

### Emotional Wellbeing

Almost half of respondents recognised that emotional health is how you are feeling about yourself and your emotions regardless of physicality. Interestingly, 10% of pupils felt that their friends' opinions were also of consideration.

## **THE FUTURE**

The transitional period from primary school to middle school seems to have been a time of worry for most of the pupils and this seemed to be reflected in regards to the transition to high school. Although exams and the increase of coursework were a worry, the fear of bullying or feeling vulnerable whilst being split from their peer group seemed to be quite a common answer.

Encouragingly, many look forward to meeting new people and experiencing new classes and often responded with an air of adventure.

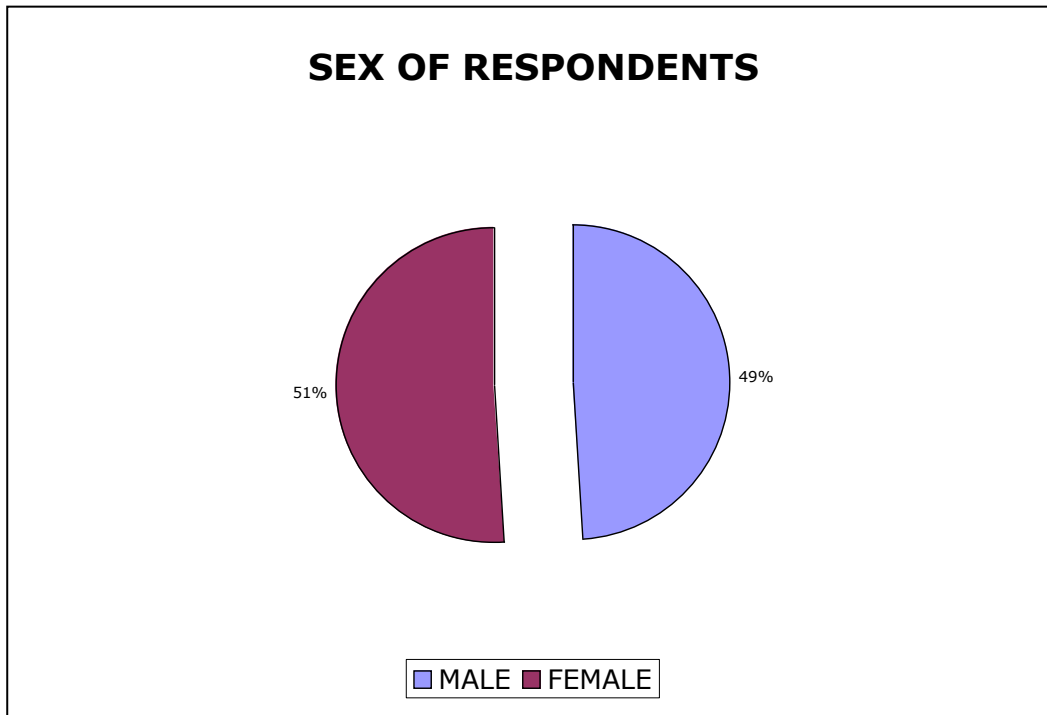
Almost 90% of respondents felt positive about their future overall, looking forward to a wide array of jobs and opportunities in various fields and far flung countries. Although career aspirations in fields such as sport, music and drama were quite common, these were outnumbered by desires to work for the Police, Army, NHS, and careers in Law, Veterinary Science, Engineering or, simply, to have employment, family, a car and a home.

Approximately half of all pupils saw themselves as being the most important person in helping them to achieve their goals by the age of 21, followed closely by their Parents / Guardians.

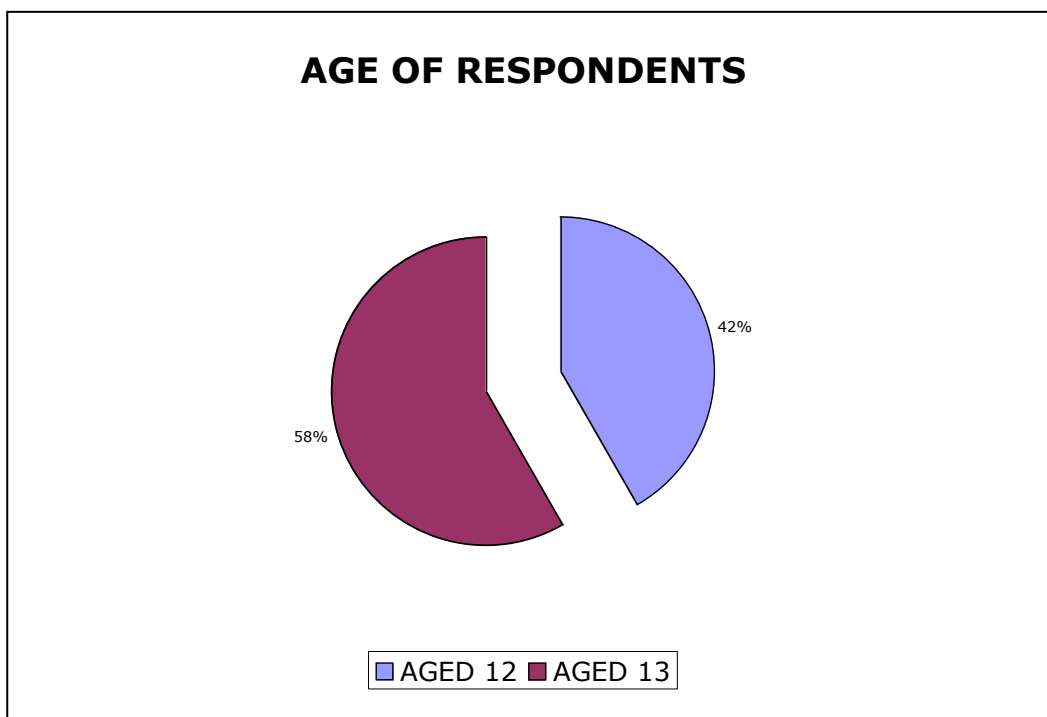
## RESPONSES

Of the 792 responses received during this survey:

**49% were MALE / 51% were FEMALE**



**58% were aged 12 / 42% were aged 13**



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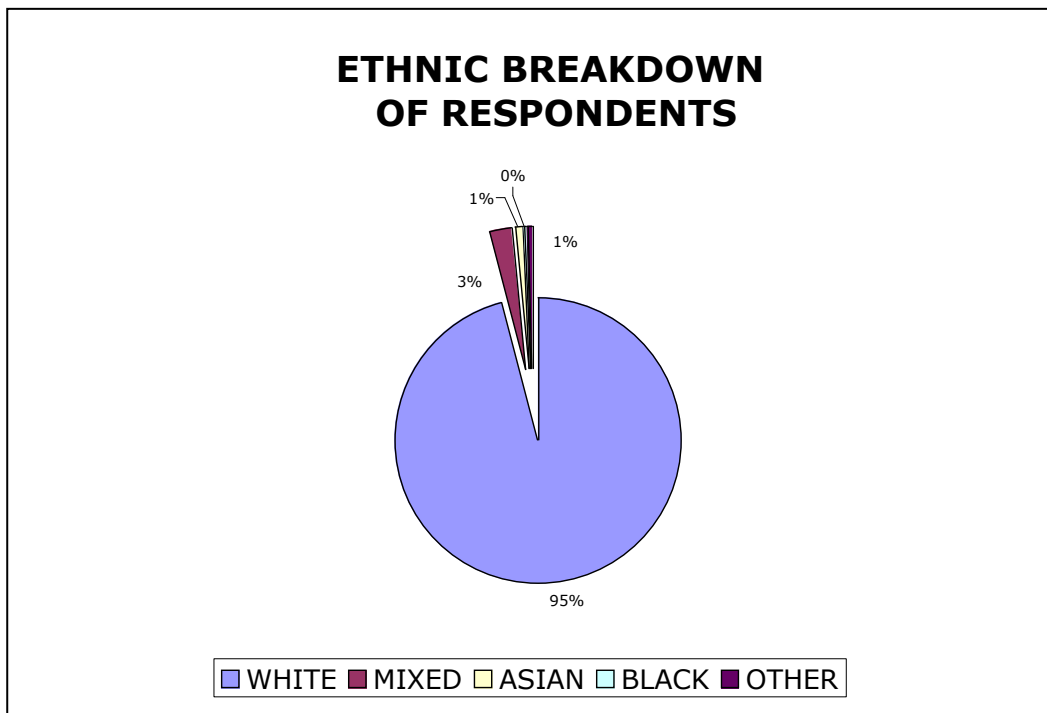
**95% were of WHITE origin.**

**3% were of MIXED origin**

**1% were of ASIAN origin**

**1% were of OTHER origin**

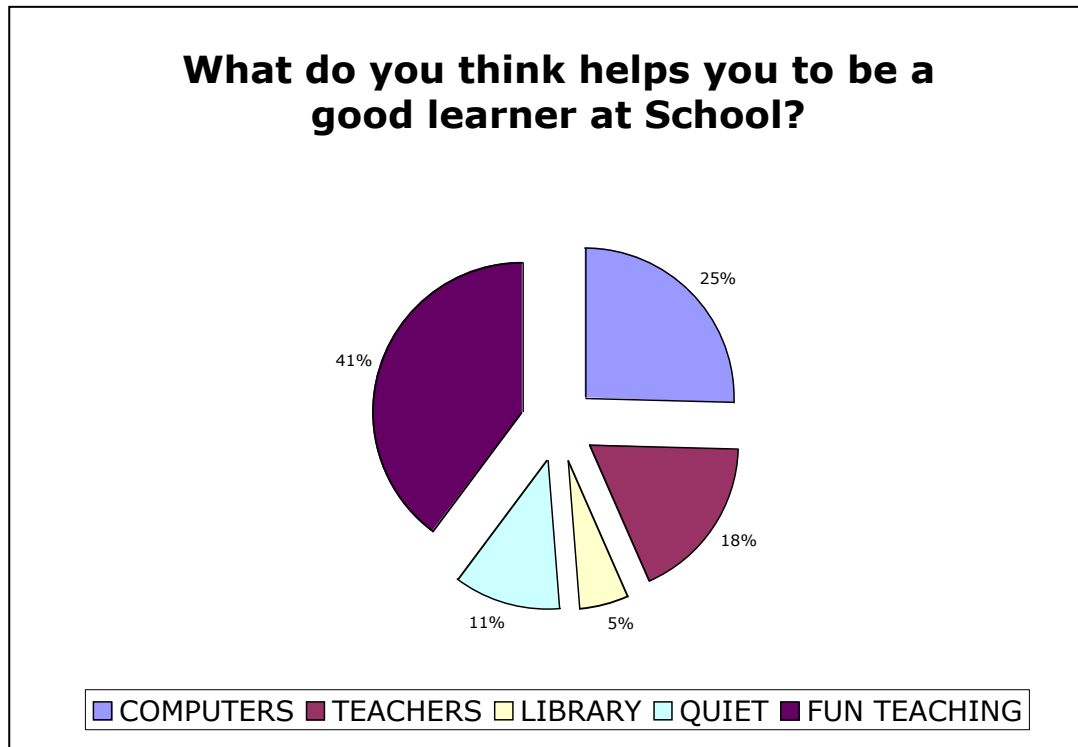
**Less than 1% were of BLACK origin**



The following pages show you the breakdown of the survey question by question as they were completed alongside the MULTI CHOICE responses and graphs.

A selection of open question responses have also been included.

## QUESTION ONE



**41%** of respondents believed that **FUN TEACHING** helped them to be a good learner at school.

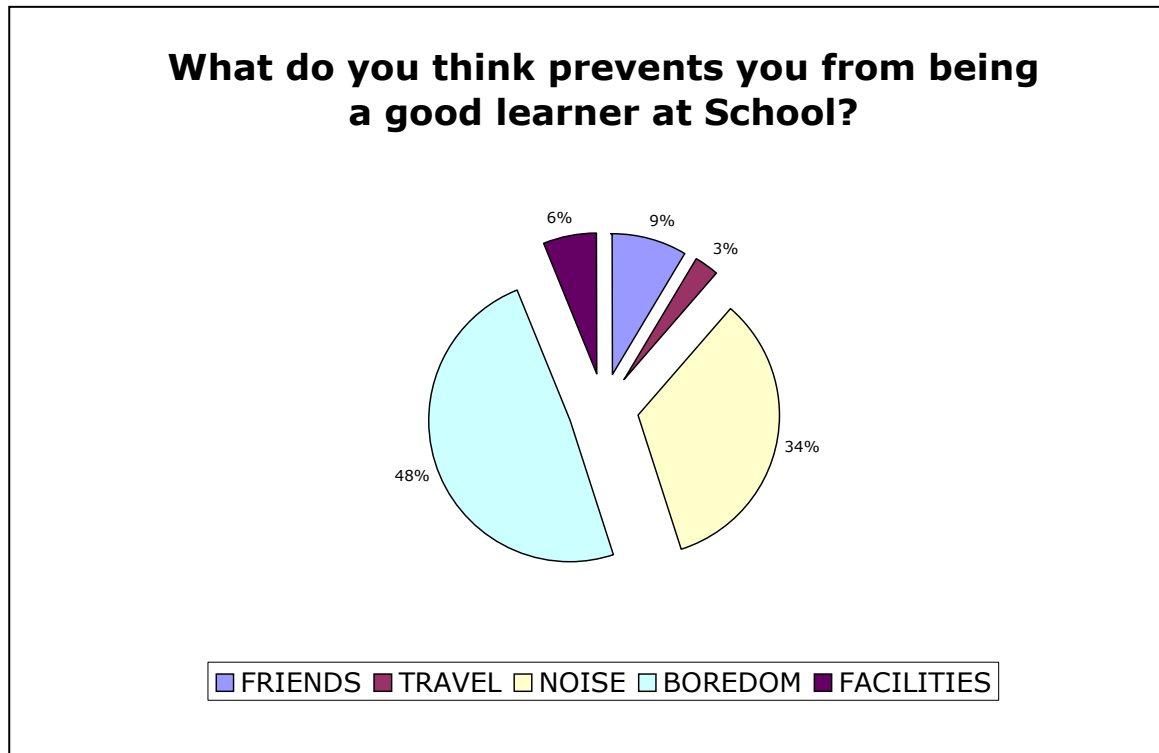
**25%** of respondents believed that **COMPUTERS** helped them to be a good learner at school.

**18%** of respondents believed that **TEACHERS** helped them to be a good learner at school.

**11%** of respondents believed that **QUIET** helped them to be a good learner at school.

**5%** of respondents believed that the **LIBRARY** helped them to be a good learner at school.

## QUESTION TWO



**48%** of respondents believed that **BOREDOM** prevented them from being a good learner at school.

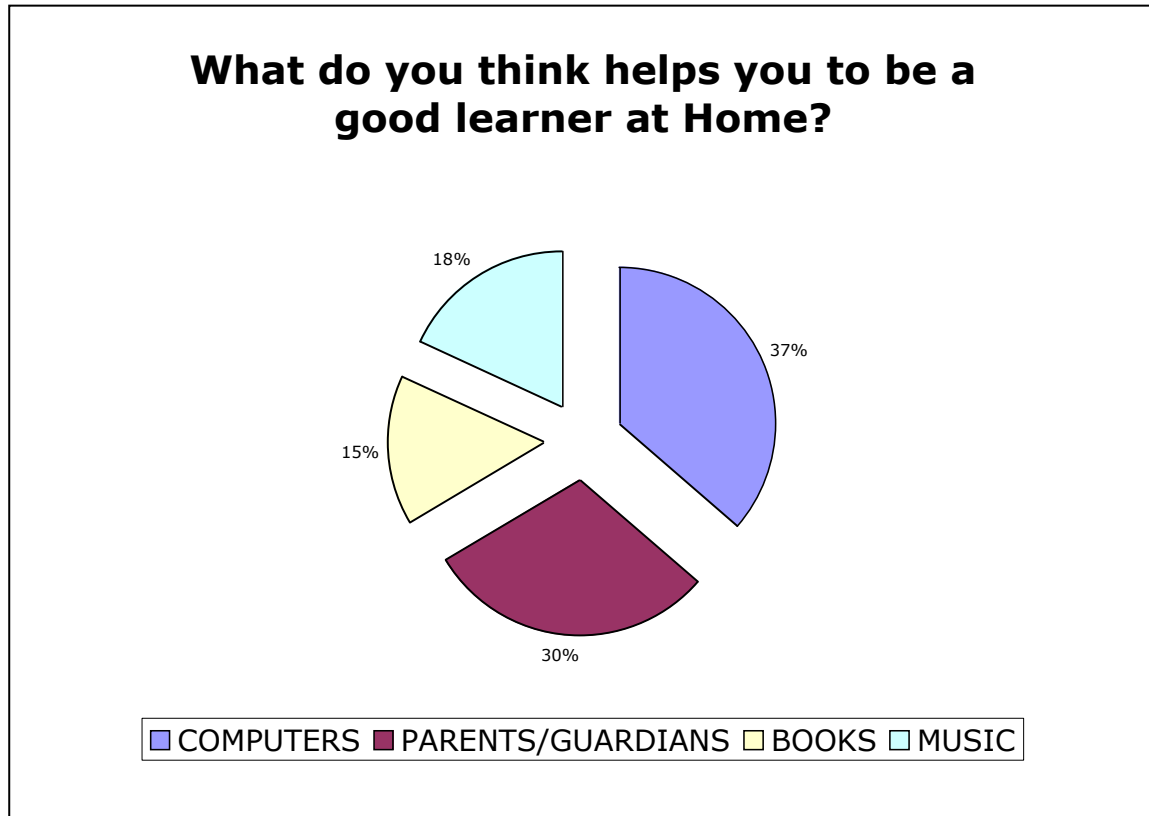
**34%** of respondents believed that **NOISE** prevented them from being a good learner at school.

**9%** of respondents believed that **FRIENDS** prevented them from being a good learner at school.

**6%** of respondents believed that **FACILITIES** prevented them from being a good learner at school.

**3%** of respondents believed that **TRAVEL** prevented them from being a good learner at school.

### QUESTION THREE



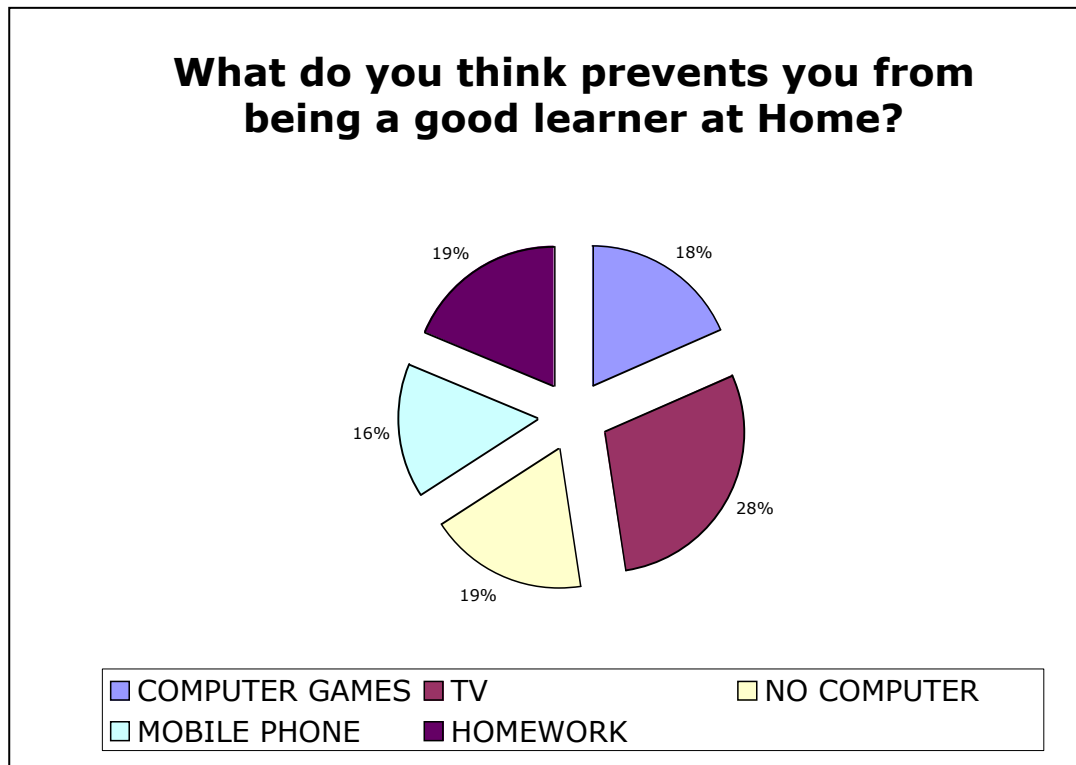
**37%** of respondents believed that **COMPUTERS** helped them to be a good learner at home.

**30%** of respondents believed that **PARENTS / GUARDIANS** helped them to be a good learner at home.

**18%** of respondents believed that **MUSIC** helped them to be a good learner at home.

**15%** of respondents believed that **BOOKS** helped them to be a good learner at home.

#### QUESTION FOUR



**28%** of respondents believed that **TV** prevented them from being a good learner at home.

**19%** of respondents believed that **NO COMPUTER** prevented them from being a good learner at home.

**19%** of respondents believed that **HOMEWORK** prevented them from being a good learner at home.

**18%** of respondents believed that **COMPUTER GAMES** prevented them from being a good learner at home.

**16%** of respondents believed that **MOBILE PHONES** prevented them from being a good learner at home.

## QUESTION FIVE

**What would you like your school to do to help you learn better?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- I LIKE TO LISTEN TO MUSIC IN CLASS BECAUSE IT PREVENTS ME FROM TALKING
- i would like our school help me learn better by giving us more science lessons , becuae people who are taking their Sats Earley get more science - We get only one a week
- PLAY MORE EDUCATIONAL GAMES IN CLASS
- Have Some Breaks in Class - A More Active Lesson - Quiet - Good Rewards For Good Work ( Not Just Raffle Tickets )
- HAVE MORE SCHOOL TRIPS THAT DON'T COST THE CHILD ANYTHING
- I would like the option of 1 free lesson a week to do homework or choose what lesson you want like drama
- GO SLOW SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND IT MORE.
- More Fun Learn: e.g ( interactive learning, use of smatr boards, more hands on learning!)
- MORE COMPUTER TIME AND LIBARY TIME
- To have more activities that involve you actually doing somthing instead of just sitting around in a classroom, and looking at text books.

- I would like there to be more interactive/practical lessons in any subject really because sometimes all we do for days on end is write, and copy and work from a textbook which is very boring and i dont really learn as well as i do when it is a practical lesson because it is just words on a page.
- Have more choices. Not only in lessons but in general school life, also more computers as we have to go to different rooms and disrupt other lessons this therefore makes teachers annoyed and makes the lesson for that class not any better.
- Instead of putting pressure on you for SATS and everything is set out of a textbook. Do drama or other practical work to make it more fun! That helps people with learning.
- Play quiet music in class as this helps me to concentrate and encourages the class to be quiet!
- IN THE SUMMER WE COULD DO SOME LESSONS OUTSIDE IN STEAD OF COPPYING OUT OF A TEXT BOOK .
- ii Think Thaa We Shouuld Mayb Get Free Periods Liike Thaa Older People Doo In Sixth Form (: Wowwy... !
- MRE FUN LESONS 2 HLP UZ GT INVOLVID INNIT MAN :)
- i think that at are school to make it easier is if we all get laptops to helps us and make it much quicker and we can type instead of writing
- I would like some teachers to be more fun. Some are, not mentioning any names, but some unfortunately aren't

- I THINK THEY SHOULD TAKE ALL THE PEOPLE THAT DONT WANT TO LEARN AND TAKE THEM OUT OF THE CLASS SO OTHER PEOPLE THAT WANT TO LEARN ,CAN LEARN!
- They should teach each student as an individual so we are all stretched to our OWN maximum as some people are stretched too far whilst others arent stretched enough-in the main subjects!
- In lessons teachers should not just make you copy off the board or out of text books, they should make the lesson more interesting, such as lesson related games and going on the computers etc. If the lessons are boring, or un interesting you lose the kids interest and you cannot get it back, which is a shame for the smarter kids.
- I would like the teachers to be able to stop pupils who are disterbing the lesson.I also think there should be books for us to fill in. The good pupils should be rewarded not just the bad ones.
- gO ON MORE EDUCATIONAL TRIPS AND HAVE MORE FUN ACTIVITIES.
- I think the teachers should be more experienced with more fun teaching methods. The pupils get bored when they are asked to copy, or answer questions day in day out. Drama, class discussions, this sort of thing should be done more often.
- I would like classes where there aren't pupils who call out and make the teachers have to stop to sort them out. It stops the teacher from getting on with the task you need to do, and means that you can hardly get any work

done. Also, it would be good that if a few people in the class or year were mis-behaving, the whole year or class wouldn't get punished eg. staying in at break, not being able to do fun things. It is normally only about 10 people who play up, then 150 have to suffer.

- better vids because these ones we have were like out in the 80s..also new text books as we have ones wat are really old and dont help u as much.
- To get thw naughty people to go to a different class so we can learn and not be distracted.
- I THINK THAT THE SCHOOL SHOULD MAKE LEARNING A BIT MORE FUN . THEY SHOULD ALSO GIVE REWARDS TO CHILDREN WHO BEHAVE WELL, BECAUSE THE CHILDREAN WHO ARE BAD DON'T HAVE TO DO THE LESSONS AND GET REWARDS, WHERE AS WE ARE GOOD AND WE DON'T GET REWARDS.
- I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO RESEARCH INTO THINGS IN MORE DETAIL IN SOME LESSONS
- To have the people who disrubt the lesson out of the class
- Fot the teachers to let us get on with the work, and don't talk about it for the whole lesson because I loose interest.
- MORE DETENTIONS GIVEN OUT
- i THINK THE SCHOOL CAN HELP US BY GIVING US MORE FREE TIME AT THE END OF THE LESSON BY LETTING US REVIEW THE LESSON WE HAVE

- i think that we should have more ict lessons because ict is a good way too learn
- 1.I Think that The School Should Have More Trips Or Discos For All The Good Things That We Do 2.
- I Think That The School Should Take Out all the Disruptive People From Our Classes And Take them Somewhere Else So that The People That Want to Learn Can.
- HAVE A ROOM WHERE YOU CAN SIT WITHOUT ANY DISTRACTIONS
- I think it would be a better school if we had free periods so we could go to a catch up class and i think it would be good if it was only for year 8's because we have our year 8 sats coming up so we should be able to go to a class during school time not after school.

## QUESTION SIX

**What would you like at home to help you learn better?**

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- For the school to give us all free laptops so if we dont have a computer we can still do school reaserch.
- Be able to play more learning games on my console
- The internet as I get stuck on my homework quite alot and i have nothing to work it out with
- A ONLINE TEACHING THING ON YOUR COMPUTERS BUT YOU ALSO DONT HAVE TO DO IT EVERY NIGHT.
- less things to distract me such as : computers,friends,mobile and t.v
- MORE PROGRAMES ON MY COMPUTER SO I CAN DO MORE STUFF THAT WOULD HELP
- I Think That I Would Like To Have a Tutor So That I Can Learn Better I Think that Parents Should Let Everyone Know That You Are Learning I Think Family Shouldnt Be So Annoying
- A COMPUTER
- more learning games for the computer
- My parents to help with my homework, and to use the computer to research.
- A COMPUTER PROGRAMME THATS BETTER THAN BITESIZE
- A place where i can acess my compter work on my pc at home.

- more revision guides
- I would like to be given a revise book that we can take home and revise anything we didn't get in the lesson.
- WEBSITES TO LEARN FROM ON THE PC
- Teachers to give us sheets of paper which tells us what we have to do just in case we get stuck.
- Access to the internet for free if we have computers, children without should get their own one too. Some things on T.V should be educational, just not always.
- less homework and more sites you can go on to revise.
- Exciting learning websites
- a school website for help if you get stuck on homework
- Get more help from mum and dad
- A NINTENDO DS AND THE BRAIN TRAINING GAME
- homework to be explained better by teachers.
- For my parents to understand my homework, so it is easier for them to help me if I need help.
- Our Mums And Dads To Understand What We Are Doing At School So They Can Help More Programs On The Computers So We Can Get Help Doing It
- think you must be in a quiet learning area to learn to the maximum of your ability.

- A revision pack that we take home and can either complete online and submit answers or a booklet that we fill in, then go through at school. This could be homework or something we choose to do. I would also like a special site that we can log in to and play educational games or test ourselves.
- More Websites to go onto, Websites that are for our ability and that are safe and that our teachers think will be good for us.
- . I also think there should be a school run website that helps pupils learn, not just ones by the bbc ect that you cant always find what you are studying on.
- A Special website that you can type stuff in that you want to learn about .
- A revision website instead of searching the net you can just go onto that website.
- A revision website so that instead of searching the whole net there is a certain website you can go on that has everything to do with school work that can help you if you get stuck on your homework.
- i would like me parents to help me more because i struggle sometimes.
- would like more support on what i do and maybe some lessons to help me improve my learning and maybe the school should give us websites for homework to do revision sheets. if i do something wrong andi don`t understand the homework then my mum gets frustrated and anoyed that makes me nervous.

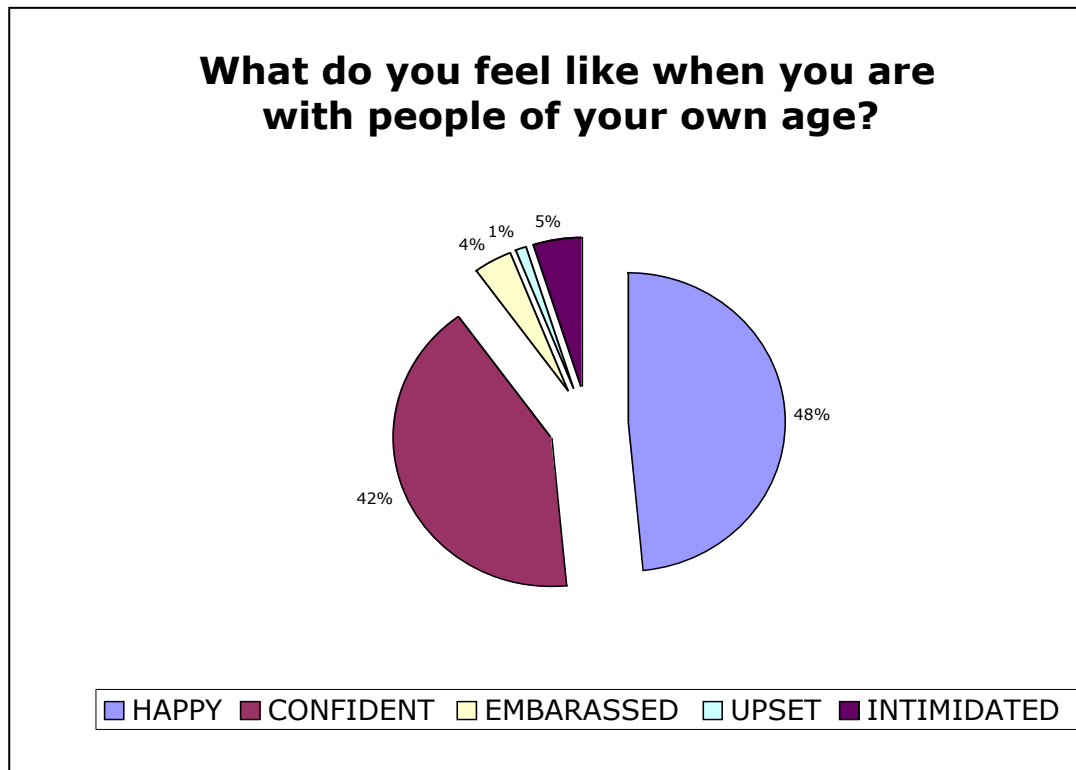
- Maybe if the school supplied revision books to borrow so then we could study because some people can't afford it! i really would prefer if the school told us more websites to study at home.
- home tutoring because i feel safer at home doing work and i would get better grades
- PC GAMES FROM THE SCHOOL THAT ARE EDUCATION
- I would like quiet and personal space. I have a brother and a sister that always bother me and I can't sit down and do my homework without noise. Then I end up getting distracted and I play my Wii.
- I like doing projects and it helps me learn and gives me something, other than TV and the computer, to do and get me learning. Projects also help me be more independent in my learning. I prefer projects to homework.
- I think the school should stop homework because it just causes stress and it makes you dread going to school the next day if you've forgotten some or not managed to do it.
- I would like to have access to the computer system at the school when i am at home on the computer because then it will be easier to retrieve work to finish from lessons and i would be able to complete some of my work to a higher standard. I think if we also had access to get in touch with the school through internet we may find it easier to ask questions rather than by phone calls. Some people also might have problems at home, and we are always being told to talk to someone at school and there appear to be so many teachers we can go to at school, but when at home we can't. So

if we had a way of sending emails to some of the specific teachers we may like to talk to it would help

- Family that will help and help you understand the problem, instead of shouting if you get it wrong.
- THE INTERNET IN EVERYONE'S HOUSE
- DVD's
- I would like more revision sites on the computer.
- I think, on the computer, there should be one big special website , providing all our homework needs and homework help. It should be: national, so everyone can enjoy it.
- not have home work because its the only time i can see my family but all i have to do is work all day then get home and do more
- I think that there should be a site where you can set homework over the internet
- No homework! because i think at home you have a time to do your own thing and learn like homestuff e.g cooking and i am really busy with sport then get dragged down to have to do school work! x
- I think that they should let you take your books home and give you some extra books and information books to take home so you don't have to go and buy them. They should give you an example for your parents because they don't always know the new way of teaching so they can't help you .
- NOTHING I LOVE THE WAY I LEARN AT HOME. THERE IS NOTHING

- Workbooks, so pupils could follow the curriculum at home with adult supervision.
- MA MUMY AND LIKE ME STEP DADDY SHUD LIKE ELP ME A BIT MRE INNIT
- Well I wouldnt like anything done to my home realy i like it the way it is but i get caught up in the t.v and internet at home so i forget all about the homework.
- FASTER INTERNET SO I DONT GET BOARD WATEING FOE THE PAGE TO LOAD UP
- The new mini laptops that we could take 2 and from school instead of books so it would be easyer and greener
- ENCOURAGEMENT
- the internet.i think this because the internet should be free for parents with school children.
- A less negative environment/less stress so that can concentrate while trying to learn things.
- I think I need to be more organised and manage my time better
- Not Much Really It Is Ok At Home Thank You For Asking Tho Lol
- MORE TIME TO DO HOMEWORK BECAUSE SOME OF US HAVE SOCIIAL LIFE

## QUESTION SEVEN



- 48%** of respondents felt **HAPPY** when with people of their own age.
- 42%** of respondents felt **CONFIDENT** when with people of their own age.
- 5%** of respondents felt **INTIMIDATED** when with people of their own age.
- 4%** of respondents felt **EMBARRASSED** when with people of their own age.
- 1%** of respondents felt **UPSET** when being with people of their own age.

## QUESTION EIGHT

**Please tell us what you think Bullying is?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- when someone else judges some one before they know them and they do an action that is theaterning over and over again. it can be verbal or physical
- it is a mean act which is repeated over again and can be physical or physcallogical
- I Think Bullying Is Repeatively Being Horrible To Someone, Physically Or Mentally.
- Bullying is when someone does something to you that you don't like over and over again
- buling is when people pick, hit,an call people names because there belifs religion learning ability and mabe you just dont like them.
- actions that hurt or scare people
- bullying is where some one ether verbal bulling wihich is when people swear at you all the time or call you names it is also when they hurt you all the time
- When someone or a group of people harrass you or they put pressure on you, picking on you! there are different kinds of bullying e.g. physical bullying lots more!



- reptyly makeing you feel bad
- i think bullying is bad because i have seen one of my mates been bulied
- WHERE YOU ARE BEING LEFT OUT BEING CALLED HORRIBLE NAMES
- Ongoing Victimisation
- REPEATED TEASING
- when a person with a bad back ground who take ig oug on other people
- Abusive language for weeks on end and physically hurting people.
- when someone is horrid to someone else for no reason.
- i think bullying is bad because its horrible and the bullys wouldnt like it.
- when people make fun of you or laugh at you
- As i am being bullied myself it can be name calling, physical and mentally. It also can be mentally as i have paranoia near those people.
- where a gang of people get together and pick on someone, cyber bulliing, name calling, physical (hitting, Kicking)
- PICKING ON OTHER PEOPLE WHO CANT DO ANYTHING TO PROTECT THEM SELVES
- Where Someone Is Making Someone Else Intemidated And Uncomfortable And Being Mean !
- SOME KID WHO AINT GOT NOTHING BETTER TO DO THEN ANNOYING OTHER RANDOM PEOPLE THE SAD LOW LIFE LOSERS!!!
- people decking people

- I THINK IT IS WHEN OLDER CHILDREN ARE HORRIBLE TO YOUNGER PEOPLE BY EITHER CALLING THEM NAMES OR BEATING THEM UP OR SOMETHING...
- it is horrible because people call other people four eyed freak and stuff.
- Being heart by some1 or verbal abuse or on the computer/ phone
- I think bullying is were someone picks on a person because they are jeloss or afrade!
- when some one picks on you for fun and the beat you up. the people who have no friends bully becouse thay wont to look cool
- I think bullying is wrong without bullying people will have better lives and be more confident with school
- i think bullying is a form of etention seeking but its not just physical it can be on mobile phones or thretining
- I THINK THAT BULLYING IS WHRN YOU DONT LET PEOPLE PLAY OR YOU DO STUFF TO PEOPLE
- bullying is when sumone gets pushed out of a group and called names or there are other forms of bullying like cyber bullying were sumone is recieving text messages and stuff over the internet
- when one or more people gang up on you. And intimidate you and steal your stuff. they can say mean things about the way you look and your family
- A CONTINIOS ASSULT SOMEONE'S PERSONAL LIFE IE. HITTING LANGUAGE MAKING FUN OF A FAMILY MEMBER SYUFF LIKE THAT

- Distracting you from work everyday, physical (hitting, kicking, etc), calling you names, sending nasty txt messages and on MSN.
- a horrible thing cause i have experienced it, it is painful and you could do somethig stupid while being bullied
- Making someone feel unsecure in any way.
- bullying is just a fact in life every one will have it and i have had it so think that bullying is 1.racism 2.physical 3.fattness 4.looks 5.verbal and worst of all 6.ignoring
- BULLYING IS WRONG,BECAUSE USALLY THEY COME FORM BAD BACKGROUNDS.
- Bullying is when a person picks on another person for they way they look,talk,act and even play. bullying is horrible and moastly caused somebody who is jelouse or upset about something and takeing it out on another person isnt very nice... infact its horrible. bullys can also bully teachers and teachers tell other children of for being naughty but often dont listen to the whole story of what happend just assume they know what is going on and what is happening.
- sexual harrasment and boys always picking on you and taking your money and stuff like that
- When a chav comes with loadsa other chavs and either verbally or like push you up against a wall and smack ya round a bit

- I Think Bullying Is When One Or A Group Of People Are Mean Like Call You Names Spreads Rumors About You Hits You Or Do Anything That Upsets You For A Period Of Time
- bullying is when someone is nasty to someone else. This could be cyber bullying on the computer or text messaging, verbal bullying-saying something to upset someone or spreading rumors or physical bullying-hitting kicking punching etc.
- where someone is irritating someone but if it is only for a day then i dont but if it goes on for days then i think it is bullying
- Continual Verbal Abuse, Cyber Abuse And Physical Abuse!
- a blustering, quarrelsome, overbearing person who habitually badgers and intimidates smaller or weaker people.
- i think bullying is when people do something to you which upsets you alot, or they tell a tale on you when you didnt do anything. Also, phisical contact with another person or emotionally hurt someone is also bullying . :(
- Anything in general that makes another person feel upset or uncomfortable....
- i THINK BULLYING IS WHEN SOMEONE PICKS ON ANOUTHER PERSON TO MAKE THEM FEEL BAD ALSO I THINK BULLYING IS WHEN THE MAKE A PERSON DO SOMETHING WHEN THEY DONT WANT TO. ALSO BLACKMALE IS TOO OR EVEN WHEN SOMEONE HERTS THEM BECAQUSE THEY ARE WEAKER.

- URM I DNT GET BULLIED BUT I THINK IT MEANS WHEN YOU GET PICKED ON FOR NO REASON
- I THINK ITS RELLY UPSETTING THAT SOMEOND GETS BULLIED
- I TINK DAT IZ WEL BAD AND IT PROPER OUT OF ORDER.I TINK ITS WEN SUM1 IS VERBALLY/PHYSACALLY ATTACKIN SUM1.BRB LOL
- Bullying is when unkind people offend and hurt other people even if they havnt done anything to harm the person who is bullying
- I think that bullying is a way of people being horrible to people, and it can occur to people that may be new in the school.
- A repeated upset caused by a single or group of people on a selected target.
- Bullying is wat people do when either they arent happy with there life so they have to ruin someone elses because they think it will make there life better when actually its just making there lfe worse because they will end up having no friends. there are two different types of bullying the first is verbal and the second is actually beating people up!
- I think bullying is people going out of thier way to make your life dificult and sad on a regular basis.
- I think bullying is where other children get jealous of someone elses talent e.g there clever at school.
- i think bullying is where people who are older or younger than you pick on you for something that they are jealous about or they generally hate that person.I think bullying is the worst thing in the world recently my freind

from my old school on the mainland committed suicide because of bullying so i am really against bullying and i want it to STOP!!!!!!

- 1. when people intimidate other people into doing what they want 2. when people pry into other peoples lives when they shouldn't 3. talking behind your friends back and saying mean things about them 4. physically hurting someone
- I think that people are just pretending that there stronger than they are by picking on one person in a gang because they won't do if they were on there own.
- I THINK THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO SUCH THING AS BULLING, IT DOESN'T GET YOU ANYWHERE IN LIFE, AND YOU JUST END UP HURTING PEOPLE MAKING THEM FEEL BAD ABOUT THEIR SELF, AND UPSET, SOMETIMES THEY GET SO UPSET THEY REFUSE TO GO TO SCHOOL. I ALSO THINK IF YOU BULLY SOMEONE WHAT GOSE AROUND COMES AROUND, AND SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT.
- BULLING IS CRUEL AND IS A AWFUL THING THAT CAN LEED UP TO BIG THINGS LIKE PHSICALL ABUSE I HAVE BEEN BULLIED BEFORE AND IT IS HORRIBLE.
- i think that bullying is some peoples way of getting there anger out because somone is diffrent i some kind of way . i think it can be caused becuase there isnt much to do out of school or in school exept clubs which most of them are boring. it can also be caused by people in gangs

pretending to be strong which they are not and show that by picking on other people

- I TINK DAT LIKE ALL BULLIES R LIKE WELL BAD MAN IT IS LIK WELL SAD CUS THEY PPL THEY PIK ON HAV DUN LIKE NUFFINK WRONG AND STFF INNIT GHETTO
- BULLYING IS A BAD THING AND YOU SHOULD TREAT PEOPLE THE SAME AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED
- its when a person finda a reason to pick on people for diffrent reasons (home,cloths and what colour there skin is and meny more)
- bullying is a racism, cyber bullying act. is not very nice. when people bully you phyusical
- BULLYING IS THATA GANG OF PEOPLE TAKE OR NICK OR THINKS AND THEY TREP YOU UP AND KICK YOU AND PUNCH YOU AND COULD THRITENED YOU OR YOUR FAMILY
- I THINK BULLYING IS A CREUL AND NASTY THING AND THE BULLYS ARE SO MUCH MORE WEAKER THAN THE VICTIM
- I THIK BULLYING IS HORRIBLE AND NASTEY WHY DO PEOPLE DO IT THERE IS NO NEED WHY DONT THEY BULLY THERE SELF NOT OTHER PEOPLE I JUST DONT SEE THE POINT IT MAKES ME SICK
- bullying is a way that other children pick on another child to make them upset or hurt. Bullying is verbal, physical and there is cyber bullying
- When people make fun of you if you have problems or something you cant help or bad habits. There is also cyber bulling when you bully online on

chatrooms , msn, facebook, myspace, bebo and freind reunited etc. Or like people use violence on you .

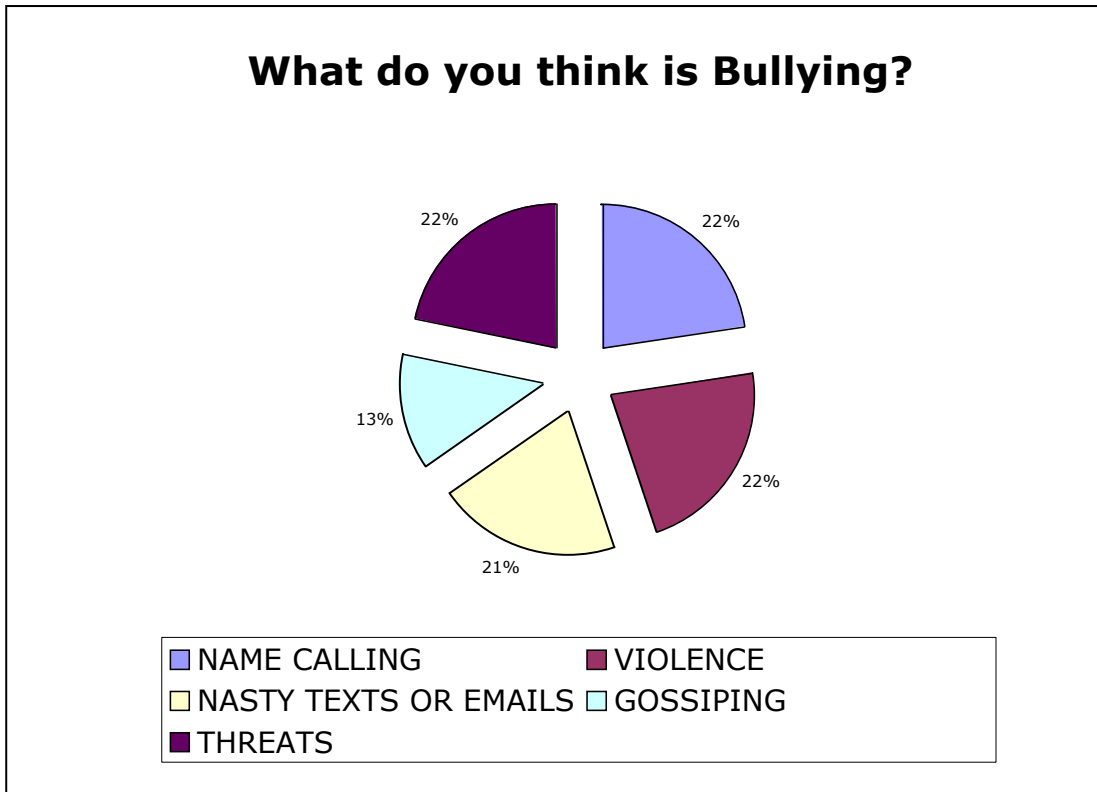
- When people make fun of you and take the mick cuz you have a promblem that you cant help. Cyber bullying on the internet : bebo msn face book myspace youtube chatrooms. When People Are Hurting You .
- people making fun of people because there different eg colour gender hair colour
- someone who likes to hang around often in gandgs picking on people who are weaker than them or making their gang to it for then.
- i think bulling is really horrible especially when you are young and people who are older are bullying you.
- bullying is when you are being picked on by older youths or adults and it when they take the mick out of your races or even looks
- I think bullying is a form of trying to belittle someone or thinking your the best and being horrible to someone.
- I think it intimidating someone until they are not happy with who they are.
- i think bullying is a child (sometimes aldult) picking on another child(aldult) by by phone by computer by beating up by saying mean things and making the child fell like they cant say anything to anyone thing like that!
- bulying is horrible no one shaould av da rite to be bullying htere can be alsorts of bullying cyber phisical and verbal

- I think it is when people express themselves on other people to make them feel better but in the end they dont but they make the other person feel intimerdated
- bullying is where people upset other people but the bully may not now they are bullying.
- when people are very horrible to you, for example= cyber bullying, verble bullying.ect.
- it is a way of tormenting people who are not so popular.
- bullying is a type of abuse
- bullying is either a group or a single person, usually boys, there are several types of bullying there is cyber bullying, physical, and more. Bullies can either beat up people send them nasty texts and stuff
- people sending you mail through the internet which can efect the way you do stuff also when someone can ofend you in the way you look os sumthing
- Unpleasent acts - physical and/or verbal - towards someone that happens frequently.
- Bullying is when a person finds themself being pushed into doing things. They are being put in situations where they do not feel comfortable and are constantly being upset by others. It is victimisation against a particular person that does not stop. Sometimes the victim can become the bully. And sometimes bullying can be even from family or friends where a person feel under pressure and not confident talking to the people around

them. Its not something that most people are happy talking about, and it can take a while for them to talk about it. It is very emotional for anyone being bullied.

- when a person or a group of people pick on someone for the fun of it and trust me i know this because i use to do it and i regreted badly
- someone who is jellus of you and beat you up and steal things
- Ongoing nastyness to one pupil, eather a gang, or an indavidual. by saying ongoing i mean up to three days, carrying it on from there up to months.
- Bullying is unrespectable education
- Bullying is when you pick on just one person & make you get frightened I should know as I was bullied for 4 years & I have just sorted it out now
- When someone is horrible to another person about their race, religion or coulour of skin. It can also be when big gangs gang up on one person when they used to be their freind.
- I think that bulling is very bad because, you can hurt people's feeling and the way they are. they could get really paranoid and they could run away from home.
- BULLIES TRY TO ACT COOL INFRONT OF OLDER KIDS
- when people call you names and make fu of the way you look but people don't stand p for them not even friends somtimes! somtimes its friends that do the bullying

## QUESTION NINE



**22%** of respondents felt **VIOLENCE** was a form of bullying.

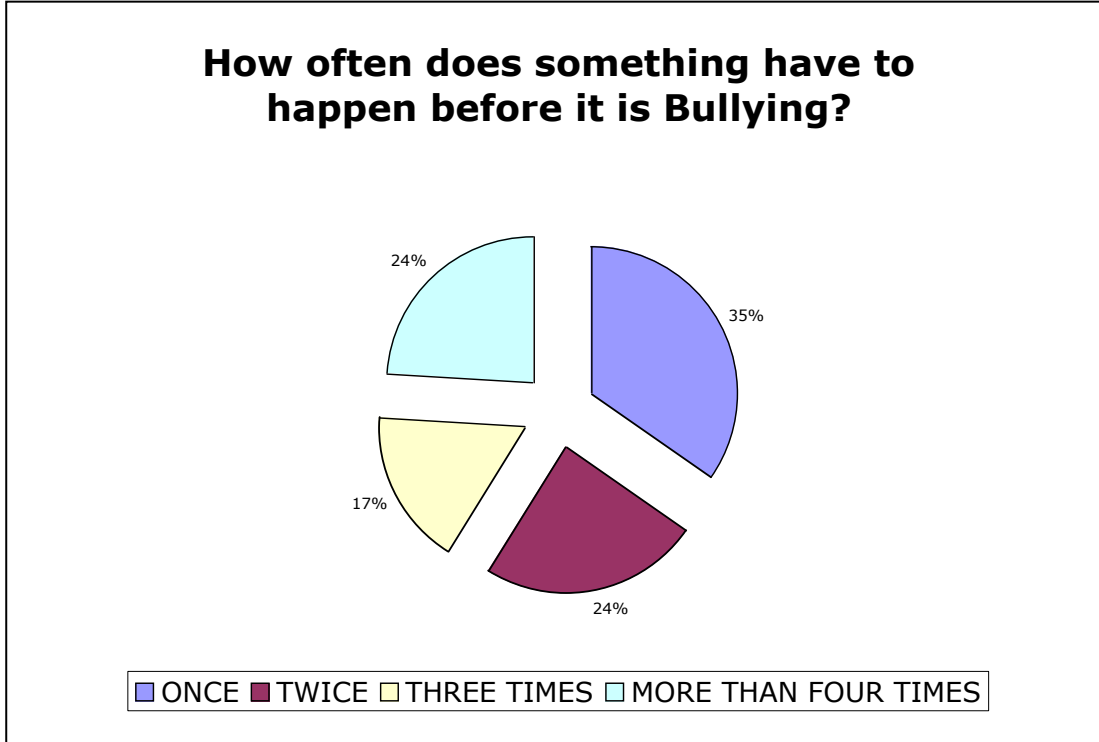
**22%** of respondents felt **NAME CALLING** was a form of bullying.

**22%** of respondents felt **THREATS** were a form of bullying.

**21%** of respondents felt **NASTY TEXTS OR EMAILS** were a form of bullying.

**13%** of respondents felt **GOSSIPING** was a form of bullying.

## QUESTION TEN



**35%** of respondents felt an incident could occur **ONCE** and still be considered as bullying.

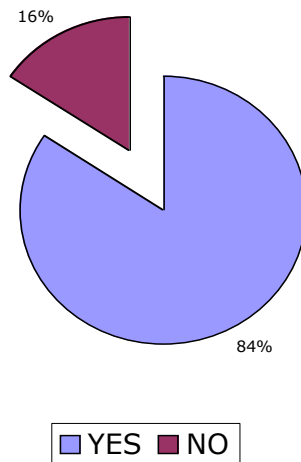
**24%** of respondents felt an incident could occur **TWICE** before being considered as bullying.

**17%** of respondents felt an incident could occur **THREE TIMES** before being considered as bullying.

**24%** of respondents felt an incident could occur **FOUR TIMES** before being considered as bullying.

## QUESTION ELEVEN

**Do you think that the amount of sleep you get affects your ability to work well at school?**

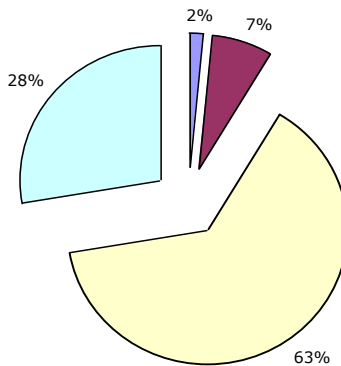


**84%** of respondents felt the amount of sleep they get **DOES** affect their ability to work well in School.

**16%** of respondents felt the amount of sleep they get **DOES NOT** affect their ability to work well in School.

## QUESTION TWELVE

**How many hour's sleep per night on average do you think you need to work well at school?**



■ ONE TO THREE ■ FOUR TO SIX ■ SEVEN TO NINE ■ TEN OR OVER

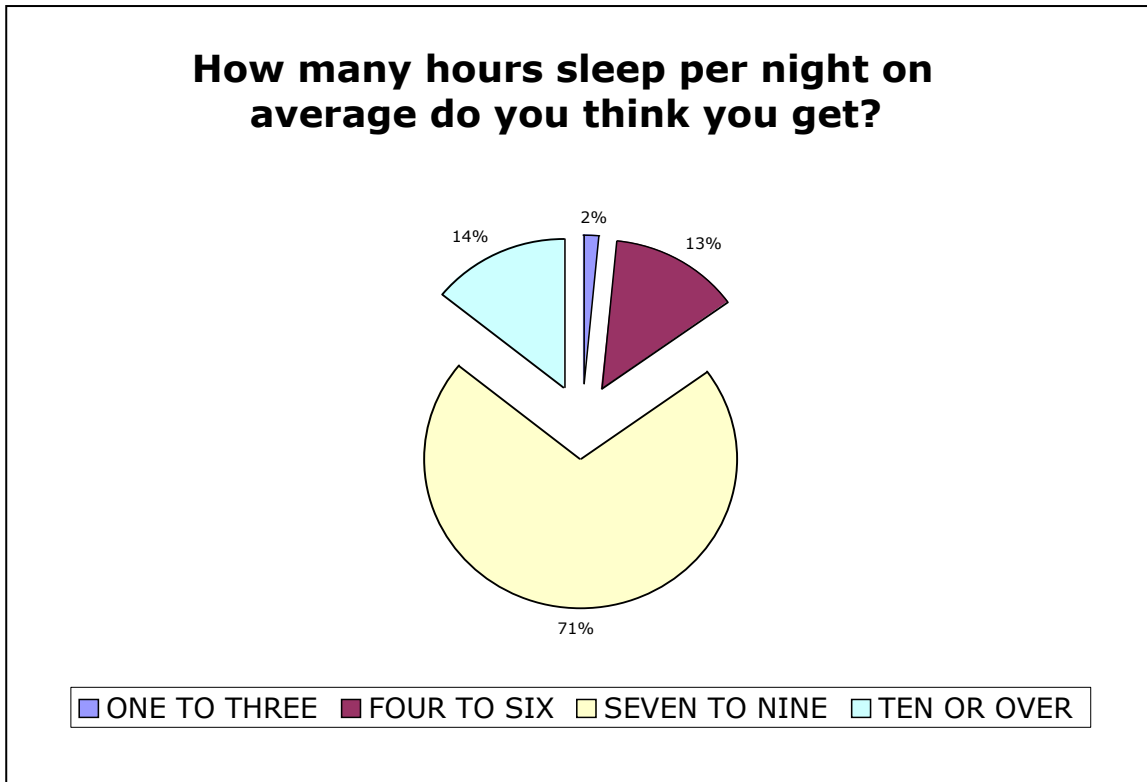
**63%** of respondents felt they need approx **SEVEN TO NINE** hours sleep per night to work well in school.

**28%** of respondents felt they need approx **TEN OR MORE** hours sleep per night to work well in school.

**7%** of respondents felt they need approx **FOUR TO SIX** hours sleep per night to work well in school.

**2%** of respondents felt they need approx **ONE TO THREE** hours sleep per night to work well in school.

### QUESTION THIRTEEN



**71%** of respondents felt they achieved approx **SEVEN TO NINE** hours sleep per night.

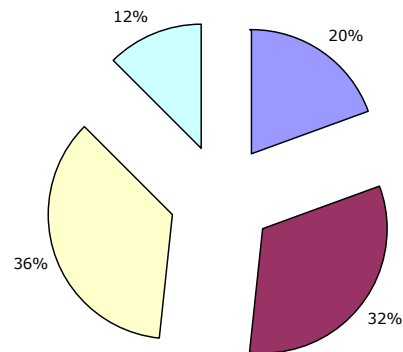
**14%** of respondents felt they achieved approx **TEN OR MORE** hours sleep per night.

**13%** of respondents felt they achieved approx **FOUR TO SIX** hours sleep per night.

**2%** of respondents felt they achieved approx **ONE TO THREE** hours sleep per night.

## QUESTION FOURTEEN

**There is a lot of Media / Press coverage about people's Image and how important it is. How important do you feel Image is?**



■ VERY IMPORTANT ■ IMPORTANT ■ OF SOME IMPORTANCE ■ NOT IMPORTANT

**36%** of respondents felt that image was **OF SOME IMPORTANCE** to them.

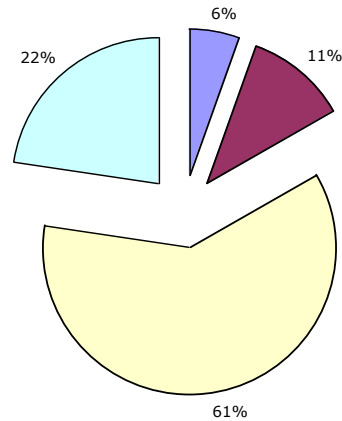
**32%** of respondents felt that image was **IMPORTANT** to them.

**20%** of respondents felt that image was **VERY IMPORTANT** to them.

**12%** of respondents felt that image was **NOT IMPORTANT** to them.

## QUESTION FIFTEEN

**Thinking about your own image, where would others place you image wise?**



■ BAD IMAGE ■ PRETTY BAD IMAGE ■ OK IMAGE ■ GOOD IMAGE

**61%** of respondents felt that others placed them as having an **OK IMAGE**.

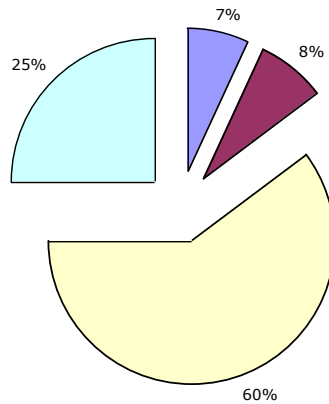
**22%** of respondents felt that others placed them as having a **GOOD IMAGE**.

**11%** of respondents felt others placed them as having a **PRETTY BAD IMAGE**.

**6%** of respondents felt that others placed them as having a **BAD IMAGE**.

## QUESTION SIXTEEN

**Thinking about your own image, where would you place yourself image wise?**



■ BAD IMAGE ■ PRETTY BAD IMAGE ■ OK IMAGE ■ GOOD IMAGE

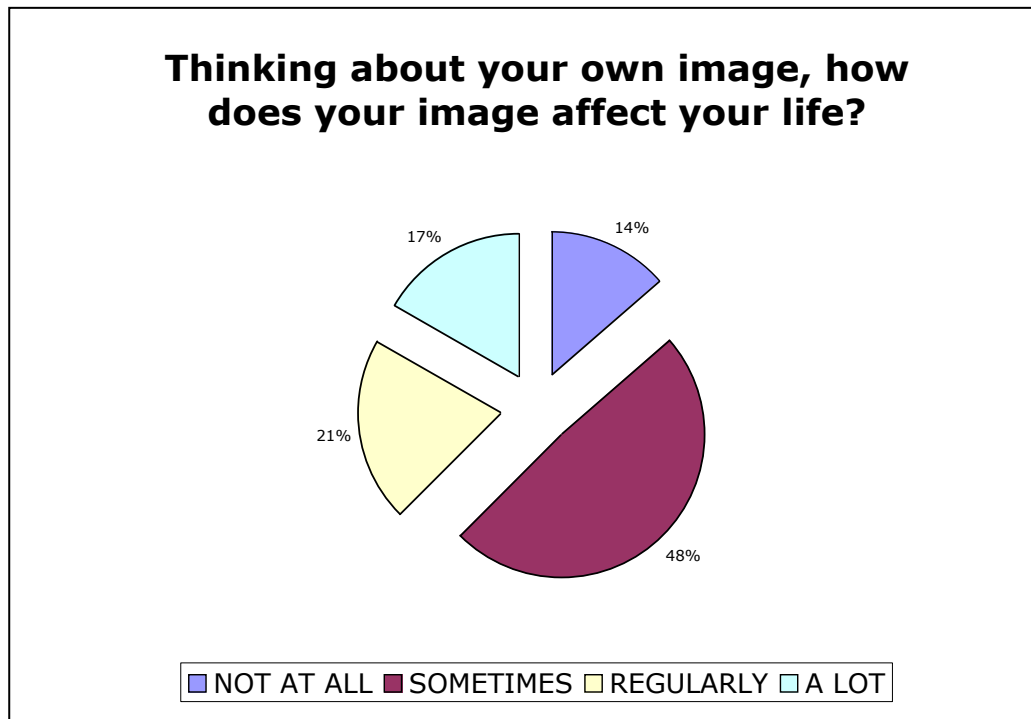
**60%** of respondents placed themselves as having an **OK IMAGE**.

**25%** of respondents placed themselves as having a **GOOD IMAGE**.

**8%** of respondents placed themselves as having a **PRETTY BAD IMAGE**.

**7%** of respondents placed themselves as having a **BAD IMAGE**.

## QUESTION SEVENTEEN



**48%** of respondents felt their own image affected their life **SOMETIMES**.

**21%** of respondents felt that their own image affected their life **REGULARLY**.

**17%** of respondents felt that their own image affected their life **A LOT**.

**14%** of respondents felt their own image did **NOT AFFECT** their life **AT ALL**.

## QUESTION EIGHTEEN



**34%** of respondents felt Emotional Health meant **HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT YOURSELF**.

**21%** of respondents felt Emotional Health meant **BEING CONFIDENT ABOUT YOURSELF**.

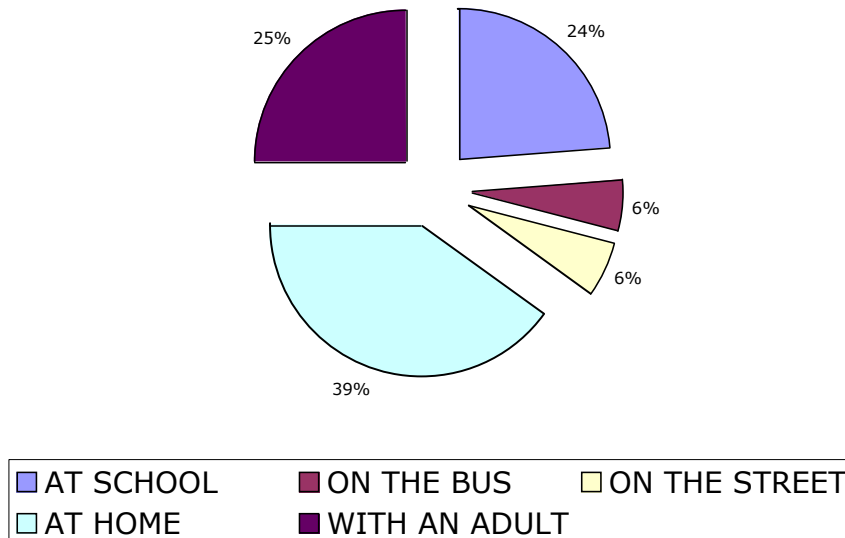
**18%** of respondents felt Emotional Health meant **FEELING POSITIVE / HAPPY**.

**17%** of respondents felt Emotional Health meant **BEING UPSET / FEELING DOWN**.

**10%** of respondents felt Emotional Health meant **HOW YOUR FRIENDS FEEL ABOUT YOU**.

## QUESTION NINETEEN

**Feeling Safe is very important to us all.  
Where do you feel Safe?**



The Young People surveyed were asked to tick as many of the categories above as they wished in response to this question.

The chart above gives the breakdown of responses as a percentage of the overall responses given.

1766 answers were given.

The **AT HOME** response was ticked **706 times**.

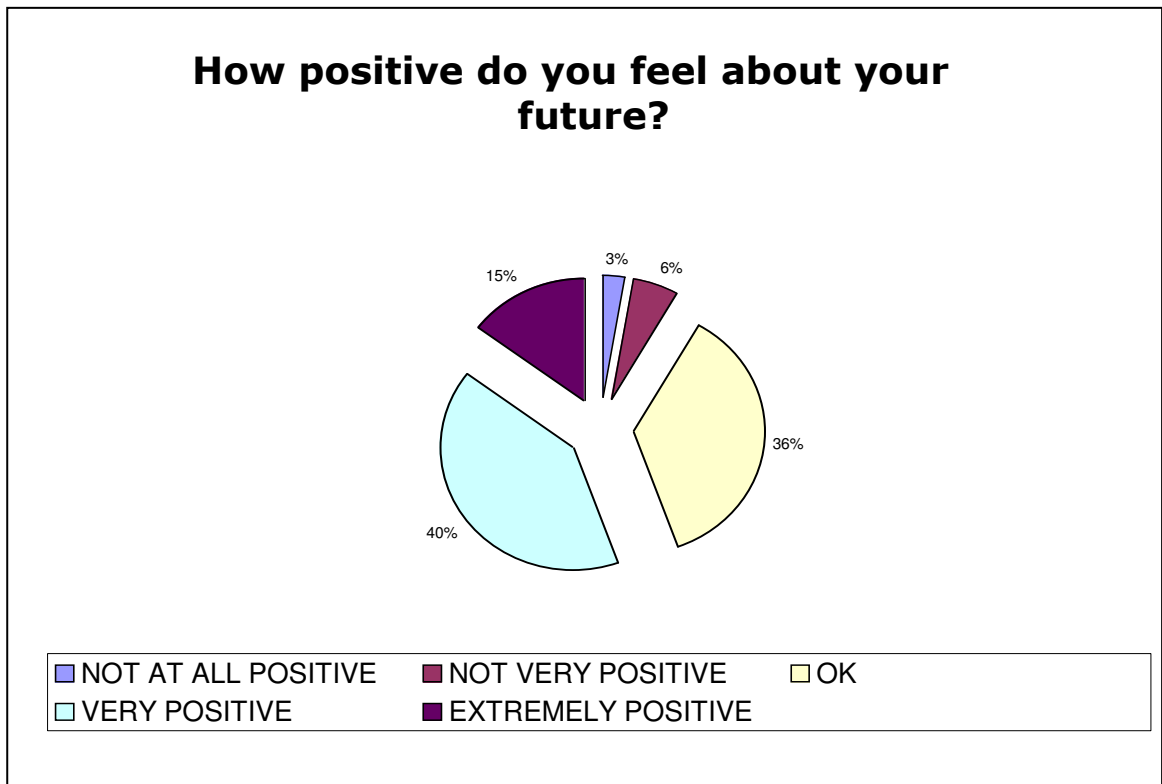
The **WITH AN ADULT** was ticked **441 times**.

The **AT SCHOOL** response was ticked **416 times**.

The **ON THE BUS** response was ticked **98 times**.

The **ON THE STREET** response was ticked **105 times**.

## QUESTION TWENTY



**40%** of respondents felt **VERY POSITIVE** about their future.

**36%** of respondents felt **OK** about their future.

**15%** of respondents felt **EXTREMELY POSITIVE** about their future.

**6%** of respondents felt **NOT VERY POSITIVE** about their future.

**3%** of respondents felt **NOT AT ALL POSITIVE** about their future

## QUESTION TWENTY ONE

**When you are 21 years old, what do you think you'll be doing?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- I THINK I WILL BE EARNING A MINIMAL WADGE AS LONG AS I CAN AFFORD A FLAT FOR RENTAL PERMITS. I WILL PROBEPLY BE WORKING AS A WAITRESS
- I Think I Will Be Ether At University/Collage. I Want To Do Well In Life, Therefore I'm Willing To Study As Hard As I Can To Achieve My Goals In Future Life.
- being a digger driver
- in the army
- i think i will work at a reasturant /cafe at colage/universety going to be a loyer .....
- I don't know what I really will be doing when I'm 21. I might be involved in music or something like that.
- i think that when i am 21 years old i will be a a nurse of work with little children in a nursery.
- a vet because i like animals
- I think i will be a ice skating teacher and a beautision i will probably work for someone than have my on hair dressers!
- WHEN I AM OLDER I AM GOING TO TRY AND GET INTO SPARSHOTT COLLEGE TO WORK WITH HORSES

- HANGING OUT WITH FRIENDS
- I Think That I Will Have A Good-Ish Job, That Pays Good-ish Money -  
Nurse => x
- I WOULD LIKE TO BE A MODEL OR A LOYWER OR SOMETHING LIKE  
THAT OR A JOURNALIST
- I want to be a soliciter
- I WILL HOPEFULLY WORKING AS A GAMESTESTER
- FOOTBALER OR MECHANIC
- working in a cafe
- Being a sports teacher or maybe working in a nersuary with baby kids.  
Playing for england ladies in hockey
- I WANT TO BE A COOK AND OWN A CAFE
- WORKING FOR A LIVING AND GOOD FUTURE
- TRAINING TO BE A SINGER OR GOT TO A FAMOUS DANCE  
ACCADEMY :)
- At 21 i hope that i would have a good job with good money so i can  
survive
- Might join the army (back up). Or become a famous person and a might  
join the police force.
- UNIVERSITY LEARNING HOW TO BE AN ARCHEOLIGIST
- I would like to be either getting ready to go and work as a Pedertrition at  
the Great Olmand Street Hospital. Treating Children.

- HOPEFULLY DOING WHAT MY SISTER DOES TRAVELLING THE WORLD, WORKING ON CRUISE SHIPS
- PROBABLY GETTING A JOB AND GETTING A FLAT WITH FRIENDS. MAYBE GET MARRIED
- I HOPE THAT I WILL BE STUDYING KILLER WHALES IN THE WILD, MAYBE VANCOUVER
- GETTING A JOB, HAVE A CHILD, GET MARRIED, POSSIBLY
- I think I will be at Uni, Hopefully studying to be a historian
- I will either be in the arms or at univerty studing to a rat but I want to be a actor but that wont come true
- computer games singer wrestler chef buisness man footballer
- an ice skater and help with children
- hopefully driving a car earring enough money for myself fairly intellegant and healthy
- computer designer
- Somthing to do with horses {x} because i love them {x}
- i want to work with children or be a midwife or a heathvisiter
- My aim is to be a pro ice hockey player
- HAVE A HOUSE OF MY OWN, A GOOD JOB, NICE CAR AND A WIFE
- well it is out of two thing put i think im going to go for my first anser i wont to be a vet because iv just lost my dog and i dont wont anyone to fill what i went throw and i wont to help them when there animal is ill it used to be a docter but now i think a vet because there meny animals in nthe world and

one type of human but i wont to be a vet for shore in africa with my friend  
and train for six years

- a average job with an average life obviously i would like to be above average but i dont have the confidence in school
- learning to be a surgeon at university
- Probably deliverin in vans and lorrys maybe something else
- When i am 21 years old i think(well hope) i will be at a university doing a degree about language because i am hoping to be an air hostess.
- I THINK I WILL BE AN INTERIOR DESIGNER SETTING UP HOME WITH A BOYFRIEND
- hairdresser or policewomen
- I think or i want to be in collage to study many things to do with computers and singing. because i love to sing and have helped my dad fix computers and spent quite alot of time on them.
- got a job and being a good citizen.
- Becoming a wildlife tv presenter.
- DRIVING, HAVE MY OWN HOUSE
- WORKING AS A MECHANIC AND GETTING ON WITH MY LIFE WITH A GIRL FRIEND
- urm i want to be a footballer but i think i will be a builder or a mechanic
- BEING A VET OR A RAF PILOT MABYE IN THE ARMY OR THE NAVY
- Working In A Clothes Shop

- I don't THINK, I HOPE I will be working as a teenage depression counciler to help young people raise their self esteem.
- i think i would be a vet/police officer living in England Isle of Wight or even, if i stay with my dream job i would want to be a zoo vet in Africa or a pianoist.
- Umm.... Something To Do With Architech And Design!
- Training for dream job of professionl wrestling.
- I think i'll be a herpetologist.
- RICH AND FAMOUS MODEL AND I WILL PROVE WRONG THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN ME I THINK IMAGE IS ALMOST ALWAYS MISTAKEN 4 POPULARITY,IF YOUR UGLY BUT POPULAR YOUR PRETTY.
- there are some jobs that i have been thinking about you see im more of a pratacal person then a thinking person so i would pick plumming,dentist but i wouldnt mind being a accountant or a loyer.
- um.... uni, partying rocking making out of a gd job or in the army
- being a mosoos! (cant spell well)
- Hopefully have a good job, a secure home, maybe in a good realtionship and feeling positive with my life.
- STILL BMXING AND MABY BEING A PRO
- I think that during my twenties i will have a small job but mainly having fun while im still young. That's because im not quite sure yet what i want to do when im older.

- WHEN IM 21 I THINK I WOULD BE FAMOUS BY THEN AND MEET FAMOUS PEEPS:Dhehe (lol dnt hatee)
- police work CID or maybe a tennis
- I hope to be know by people, in a good way and to have vistied many countries .
- dunno probably a popstar and actor and would have been in a few films
- I HOP ILL BE SUCSESSFULL DANCER LIKE BONNIE LANKFORD
- working as a builder
- HOPEFULLY IN THE ARMY IN THE ROYAL ENGINEERS
- I think I will be a doctor or an engineer, and having a good career.
- I hope that i will pass exams, have a good job, get married have kids and lead a happy and healthy life. Also i hope i will have a job with somthing to do with animals i.e horses or be a vet.
- i am not too sure. i think i might be into some kind of performing. like dance and drama.
- Getting my driving licence and getting a job
- I Will Either Be Doing Hairdressing, Beauty,Or Forensics
- I think i will be working in a cafe or somewere so i can get money to go somewere better to co more things.
- When I am 21 years old, I think imight be a plumber, a lawyer or a musician, because I am really good at music.
- I hope to be in the R.A.F (Royal Air Force)

- I think i will be in the fitness career or i will be an engineer but i will probily be an engineer because my dad is one and i have learnt alot from him and i enjoy helping most of the time and it brings in good pay.
- Well i was thinking off becoming the ounted police foerce but i want to be a showjumper because i horse ride.
- I hopefully will be owning a tattoo shop with my friend, I want to be having a shop here and in Australia, I also hope I am starting a family by then
- when am 21 i wana get a job at the bank but bit more earlier plus have my own car and go to london with mates or familys for few days. thats the age that my maybe could trust me.
- my dream jobs when i am older is to either become a forensic investigator or be a vet because i love animals
- i dont no what i will be doing but i want to be in the dog handeling unit in the police
- I AM HOPING TO BE A HAIRDRESSER AND LIVE EAR THE NEW FOREST
- At 21 i think i will be either at Universaty or Moving to another place off the island.
- i WOULD LIKE TO BE IN LONDON AUDITIONING FOR A PART IN EASTENDERS BECAUSE I WANT TO BE AN ACTRESS
- a cheif
- CARPENTAR
- I think that i might work in polotics as a translater.

- I THINK I WILL BE WORKING AS A COBBLER AND ENGRAVER.
- I'll be in the Royal Marines and living with a friend
- plumber
- I FINK DAT I WILL B HANGIN WID DA HOMMIES OUT SIDE DA GHETTO(MCDONADLS) ANDLIKE MAXIN RELAXIN IT AINT 2 TAXIN BOOOOOOOOF!!!! BrrrraP
- i will be fighting the talliban shooting terroits
- Erm ... Well ii Want 2o Bee A Nanny Or Have A Job In Childcare Because ii Loveage Little Kids :) xx
- i would like to be working in a airport, traveling or partying.
- to be in university or a marine biologist or a vet
- i think that i will be walking around the streets in my police uniform looking out for prople and making them feel safer on the stereets as that is my ultimate dream
- Getting a job working in a boat manufacturing business
- hopefully be a scientist.
- i think i will have a good job as long as i get good grades and i would like to be a footballer
- In a Business with my friends
- Well i think i will work in mc donalds because we dont get much morral support at school wich wont help at all.I am hoping that i will be a runner or a famous skate boarder.

- Studying in an american university. i will probably be studying medical because my dream is to be a peadiatrician. i just luv it
- Hopefully i will be in uni so i can be a physio theripist for sport people, or a sport phyciatric. I want to be RICH!! Slso want to do something to do with sport.
- electrition, banker and selfinployd builder
- I THINK I WILL BE STARTING MY CAREER AS A FASHION MAGAZINE EDITOR.AND ENJOYING MY FREE TIME WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY.
- HOPEFULLY I WILL BE STARTING MY CAREER AS A CRIME LAWYER
- Starting to work in the car industry
- Studying medicine at Oxford University, to help me to become a Surgeon or a General Practitioner.
- I will be a writier, of books and poems.
- Im hoping to go to university and study on being a teacher or an SEN worker.
- getting a job with my mates or if i had a kid i will be having a job and then looking after the kid
- I dont no what i will be doing but i do want to be a personal assistant (pa).
- I don't know, i would like to be living far away from here. Due to MY personal life, i would rather be living with the person i love, not with the people who sometimes i hate most of all. However, i feel that even when i am away from here, there will still be problems, as the person i want to be with most of all, does not have a good relationship with my family. Career

wise, i think i will have an okay job by then, hopefully either in journalism, being a beautician, or a counselor (weird i know) but i find that i feel most comfortable when i am doing things linked to jobs like those. But to make sure i get the job i would want, i might be studying still at that age at university etc, because i would like a successful career.

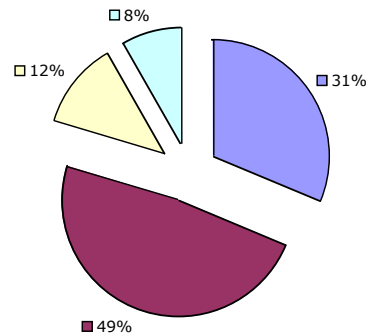
- I WILL OWN A SALLON LIKE MY ANTEY AND MUM
- A NAVEL DIVERE
- first aider
- well i would like to be a club owner
- When I am 21 i think i will still be living with my mum and dad!
- I think I would be at University but also training to be a ski instructor.
- i would probably have a job maybe childcare or healthcare. maybe a relationship but not married with kids.
- In university studying Advertising And Marketing
- WELL I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A TEACHER BUT YOU NEVER KNOW THATS WHAT I HOPE TO BE BUT YOU CAN NEVER TELL WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS.
- i think i will have my own flat, and be a massouse, living an OK life, I dont expect to be rich, but I hope this is what i am when im 21.
- BEING A GRAFIC DISINER
- a gass plumber because you are never out of work and you cant just do it your self
- WOKE AT THE DUMP

- I think i will be looking after disabled children or be a nurse for children.
- STAND UP COMIDIAN
- being a actor
- gong to be the queen
- running for great britain
- playing darts being a darts champion
- Getting Drunk Smoking
- When Im 21 I Would Like To Be Training To Be A Firefighter
- GOING TO COLLAGE SO I CAN HELP ANIMALS AROUND THE WORLD E.G DOGSTRUST,RSPCA
- WHEN IM 21 I HOPE I WILL BE A FASHION DESIGNER AND HAVING LOTS OF MONEY
- I THINK I MIGHT BE A MIDWIFE WELL THAT IS WHAT I WHANT TO BE SO I WILL PROBLEY BE AT COLLAGE
- wORKING AND LOOKING ARFTER MY PARANTS WHEN THEY GET OLD.
- a car dealer and doing cars up
- model
- I would probley be a plant englineer like my dad were you fix diggers and stuff like that.
- I AM GOING TO BE A FAMOUS DRUMMER AND A PART TIME TENNIS COACH

- Probably surviving burgers in a fast food restaurant, not quite what I want but that's what is most likely to happen.
- Either: a) a musician b) a hotelier c) office-work
- I think I may be an optician, or if I get the grades, a scientist.
- being one of the best children's nurses in the Isle of Wight so I can help little children
- BEING EITHER A PHOTOGRAPHER OR A LONDON CAB DRIVER
- working with computers.
- Studying medicine in university
- I'D LIKE TO GO INTO LAW OR SCIENCE
- I hope I will be doing my dream job

## QUESTION TWENTY TWO

**Who do you think will be the most important person in helping you get to where you want to be at 21?**



■ PARENTS/CARERS ■ MYSELF ■ FRIENDS ■ TEACHERS

**49%** of respondents felt **THEY** would be the most important person in helping them get to where they wanted to be at 21.

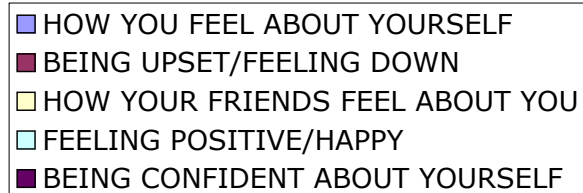
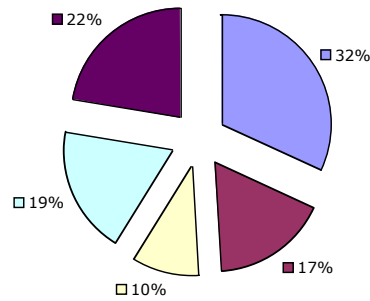
**31%** of respondents felt **PARENTS / CARERS** would be the most important people in helping them get to where they wanted to be at 21.

**12%** of respondents felt **FRIENDS** would be the most important people in helping them get to where they wanted to be at 21.

**8%** of respondents felt **TEACHERS** would be the most important people in helping them get to where they wanted to be at 21.

## QUESTION TWENTY THREE

### What does Mental Health mean to you?



**32%** of respondents felt mental health meant **HOW YOU FELT ABOUT YOURSELF**.

**22%** of respondents felt mental health meant **BEING CONFIDENT ABOUT YOURSELF**.

**19%** of respondents felt mental health meant **FEELING POSITIVE / HAPPY**.

**17%** of respondents felt mental health meant **BEING UPSET / FEELING DOWN**.

**10%** of respondents felt mental health meant **HOW YOUR FRIENDS FEEL ABOUT YOU**.

## QUESTION TWENTY FOUR

**When you were in year 4 at Primary School, what made you feel good when you thought about moving to Middle School?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- That i will be learning more and will be with my friends, but will be able to make new ones aswell.
- That I was growing up and tha I would meet new friends and be happy
- Just the thought of being in a big school and feeling more grown up.
- Meeting new people and exploring a new place
- more responabilty
- the thought of moving up to a bigger, better school
- More friends and better education
- BEING GROWN UP
- Being Treated Older
- I felt good cause i could finally be in the tuffy world
- i felt like i was going to be bullied because i had a diffrent axsent but now i fit in really well
- Being With My Friends Knowing That My brother Was Hear
- That my brother was there and he seemed to like it so i thought it would be ok. And also better lessons there.
- YOU FEEL A LOT OLDER AND MORE COFDENT BUT SOME PEOPLE MIGHT FEEL DOWN AS THEY SOMETIMES GET BUILED X
- Not So Far To Wak From My House More Independance Better Teachers

- when I Was In Year 4 And I Was Moving up to middle and i think the people that helped me feel good about myself and my confidence was my friends
- The extra facilities
- No one knowing what you were like in primary and you could be who ever you wanted to be
- ifelt good about going to middle school because i would meet new people and the lessons would be more exciting
- Getting away from the primary school
- feeling i was going up to "big school" made me fell quite grown up but i was also scared because i only just moved to the island.
- WELL I FELT GOOD BECAUSE MY TWO BEST MATES CAME TO THE SAME MIDDLE SCHOOL AS ME!! THERE THE BEST
- learing more and making new friends. I was also looking forward for the better equipment.
- BEING HIGHER UP IN THE SCHOOL CHAIN
- THAT I HAD MY BROTHER BESUDE ME IF I GOT IN TROUBLE AND IF I WAS NERVOUS.
- That I was older & it made me feel braver that I was one step closer of being a teen & a adult.
- The hed master form middla school and spok to us.
- Knowing that I get a fresh start, new friends, new teachers, more lessons.

- I Thought it would be good to be more grown up, and couldn't wait to be the highest of middle school.
- that i was getting away from all off the little stupid baby things we did in primary because when i came hear i new for a fact it would be very different
- i felt scared untill i got here it was great
- What made me feel good was the fact that most of my friends were still going to be there, which made it seem a lot less scary. I also liked the fact that the school would be a lot bigger, and there would be loads of people there to make friends with. Lastly, what made me feel good and confident was that it would be a whole new school, and a great experience for me, and that made me feel really happy and confident.
- Not a lot, I was pretty scared about what everyone would be like when I got up there; but I was excited about starting new subjects like Drama and Art.
- To know that i would be able to learn more and to becoming closer to the end of my school life.
- My mum, dad and sister reassuring me it was ok and was fun. That its not bad at all, knowing someones elses opinion and having reaasurence helps ALOT.
- The fact of getting more inderpendant and getting projects and all the new lessons i was going to do and meeting new people.

- I felt good as I was moving up to a big (well,it was then) school and I was going to meet some new people.
- Nothing, I didn't really want to move from the top of the school, to the bottom of a school with big kids. I was pretty scared, but when I got there it wasn't that bad. I met some new people who made me feel very confident about changing school. I just hope that happens in high school.
- I liked the fact that I was moving up to my dream job. And also the fact that I was growing up.
- I was nervous but once i got here the teachers where nice.
- I was excited at the prospect of maturing an growing older.
- Playing with my friends and being myself around anyone and not caring who i worked with and sat next too.
- my friends and family because they said dont worry and try your best.
- that i would have better and more advanced learning, i would meet new people, change class between lessons and have new teachers.
- it was quite confined and it was as if the school was its own community.
- Haveing new friends that wont bully you and to be really clever
- I thought that middle school would be fun and exciting because my brothers had told me about it.
- wow i'm growing up now
- KNOWING PEOPLE IN THERE THAT TOLD ME IT WAS A SAFE AND GOOD SCHOOL.

- When i was in year four i couldnt wait to move becaise i was bored of primary school and wanted to make new friends.
- THAT I WAS LIKE MOVING UP TO A NEW SKL AND A NEW GHETTO
- bigger playground and friends
- meetin new friends and different teachers in a school 5 times the size of my primary
- I COULDNT WAIT I THOURGHT IT WAS GOING TO BE EASY , IT WASNT!
- NOTHING I WAS DREADING IT
- Teachers were very encouraging and so were my parents and friends. I was in a positive environment.
- the thought of being older and having more responsibilities.
- The independence
- POSTIVE. COULDN'T WAIT TO LEAVE SCHOOL. ITS GONE SO QUICK!!
- i thought that i would finally be treated like a grown- up and finally feel what real life was like...
- That I would have that touch more responsobility and the thought of more challenging work. Also making new friends.
- Getting more friends and doing more advanced stuff. Also just being able to be a big girl and do older kids things.
- i knew i was going to have more choices and responsiblity and feel more grown up .

- moving
- It would be an change im going foward in life plus i was getting bord off the same school over and over again.
- That i am not a child anymore
- New friends, a bigger school, more oppurtunities (global rock), and different lessons.
- meeting more people and growing up
- I knew there was a chess club
- SEE NEW FACES.. NEW TEACHERS. PEOPLE THAT YOU COUULD TALK TO WHEN YOU DONT FEEL SO GREAT.
- More Independance, Walking Home with mates And Getting Extra Resposibilities.
- More choice of food and more freedom for the pupils
- when I MOVE FROM FRANCE TO ENGLAND IT WAS REALLY HARD AND DIFFERENT
- A BIGGER AREA AND MORE HI TEC EQUIPMET AND MORE RESPONSIBILITY
- I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO START AGAIN
- I would get to meet new people and make new friends also growing up! i had no friends in primary school so i was really excited.
- Being more independent and being able to do more stuff on my own.

## QUESTION TWENTY FIVE

**When you were in year 4 at Primary School, what made you feel not so good when you thought about moving to Middle School?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- that i mite be bullied
- Going to miss all of my mates
- That i would be losing alot of friends
- A new place that I'm not used to.
- I might get bullied even more because I used to get bullied in Year 4.
- that i'll be at the bottom of the school and i used to be at the top
- THAT I WAS NOT AS GOOD AS EVERY BODY ELSE BECAUSE I HAD PROBLEMS
- bullying and not getting the levels i wanted and upsetting my mum and dad with the results i would get
- BEING THE IN THE YOUNGEST
- incase nobody liked me
- thinking about the older children who were in year 8 picking on u and taking the mick
- The thought of going somewhere i know nothing about and strange people i dont know.
- being with older people and getting abuse

- feeling apprehensive, worried about bullying and feeling intimidated by other pupils.
- I will get harder work and have to mix with older people
- you do not know anyone
- Things that might happen there because you are new like jokes being played on you or if people didn't like you.
- The things that made me feel not so good these bunch of girls who I had known for quite a long time and they kept picking on me.
- I was scared about being bullied.
- Leaving the place I had known for five years and gone to day in day out.
- Middle school is bigger than primary and you can feel intimidated. Also you may not be with your friends
- Insecure about people I don't know. Bullies? Unfair teachers.
- hard work and I thought there would be really mean teachers
- I'll be in lots of fights
- When I was in year 4 I didn't want to go to middle school because you knew that there was older people there and I felt scared and I didn't want to have new teachers!
- IT MADE ME UPSET
- Getting shouted at if I did not understand anything. And I felt disappointed and had no faith in myself.
- being bullied not as confident, being bottom of the school I would feel like I would not belong there

- that i may be teased for being smart (which i am) and that it was going to be completely new enviroment
- There are going to be more bullies, but i wasnt to upset as my brother went to the same school as me and always looked out for me, the lessons would get harder, but i didnt really mind that as it means i would get brainier.
- I WAS SCARED BECAUSE IT WAS A BIG SCHOOL AND ABOUT THE PEOPLE THERE THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE GO.
- It is a bigger school with bigger people
- I didn't like that there was maybe someone that I wouldn't be able to talk to and also that I was leaving my teachers behind!
- Everything, I was so scared. I always thought of how hard its going to be, am I going to get bullied? I was fine when I moved up though.
- I didn't like the fact that some of my friends were going to different schools. I also didn't like the fact that my teachers that were always there for me wern't going to be there anymore! I also didn't like the fact that there wasn't going to be someone that I could talk to with my problems.
- homework harder lessons more boring sometimes i thought it would be fun but school just something i dont want to do
- that i will be bottom year of the school
- having all the home work every day and they say dont talk in class leave it to the social life but then you cant because youve gotta do homework!!!
- Older People That May Pick On Me

- that i may fall out with my old friends from primary school and that i will be bottom of that school and there will be older people in that school aswell !
- umm.. not knowin anyone goin to this school, i was also scared people wouldn't like me =(
- I DID NOT FEEL SO GOOD ABOUT MOVING TO MIDDLE SCHOOL BECAUSE I KNEW THERE WOULD BE MORE HOMEWORK AND RULES I KNEW IT WAS A LOT BIGGER AND IT WAS GOING TO BE A BIG CHANGE .
- incase the y8 would bully us if we did not give them are food in the cafetria but that never did happen to me
- Having much more older people around the school which could be itimidating. And it would be sad leaving friends that were going to different middle schools and leaving the teachers that i liked.
- That i would lose lots of my friends, i would be in a strange place without many people i knew and that i would do something really stupid and everyone would hate me.
- The thing that worried me was incase if people bullied or discriminated me because of my size. But they didn't.
- I Left my best mate and also my faviroute teacher and the FOOD
- Waiting to see what school i got into. The thought of being the youngest in the school scared me!!!
- that you might be a geek when you move to middle school.

- All the older year 8's were a bit scary and i was scared of getting my first detention. I thought i would get really told off!
- That there would be LOTS of PREASSURE !!! .... and also that i might get bullied.
- because i had just got used to being at the top of the school then moving straight to the bottom again
- i was looking foward to meeting new people becauseNo one from my old school went to the same middle school as me
- WHEN YOU MEET NEW PEOPLE AND YOU WOULD LOOSE YOUR CHILED HOOD FRIEND
- People saying ohhh its so scary.
- i would miss my friends and teachers. I would sometimes get scared how strict they were going to be and how there was going to be no fun moments.
- Being BULLied Because My Sisters Friends Brother Got Bullied And Got A Black Eye So I Was Worried That I Would Get Bullied!
- I Got A Bit Worried Because I Would Be Getting Closer To My SATS. Also I Didnt Want To Leave Some Of My Friends Going To Different Schools. Also We Would Be The Youngest In The School.
- It would involve sets and if your in a low one (it turns out i wasn't) you get looked down on.
- Getting Lost

## QUESTION TWENTY SIX

**After Year 8, you will be moving onto High School. What makes you feel good about moving onto High School?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- that i can meet new people and the thought of getting through school
- new challenges.
- That it will be fun and different and the work may be harder but could be fun aswell and to meet new people.
- Seeing my older friends that go there and meeting new people
- You get better options of what you want to do .
- FEELING MORE GROWN UP
- That I will eb able to try for some good GCSE's and A-Levels to get me to my goals in life.
- Bigger challenges to acomplish.
- I will get a chance to socialize with like minded people and get chanelged to work harder to unleash my potential.
- That ive only got a few more years to go until i can start my career. Also that i can just get out of school because i dont like it here, there might not be so much preassure at high school.
- I am looking forward to picking my optiond because then i can focus on something i like doing and what i want to do. So i will be learning as well as enjoying my self. Also it helps you get closer to the career you want in later life.

- it makes me feel more independant and also we can start to choose what lessons we would be interested in and start to think about are future.
- makes you feel gorwn up and moved away from teacher and people you dont like at this school
- I am excited because we will be choosing our GCSE's for our future. i am also excited because i will meet new people and i would like to try things i have never done before.
- that i will make lots more friends and maybe the adults will treat us like we are more grown up instead of like babies
- Once again, the thought of leaving school. Also, its closer to the GCSE's which means that it's closer to the results, so it will be exciting.
- I think i will feel just like i did in year 4 i think that my family will treat me like i am older and i will feel alot more respected and grown up.
- It makes me feel good to moving to high school because it is my last school years and then i would be old enough to get a job and get on with my life, and also makes me feel much grown up by saying 'im in high school now' instead of saying 'i go to middle school'.
- there will be people i know going there and people i know already going there also there will be better subjects at high school
- I feel good about moving to High School because once again I can leave behind any bad memories that I ahd there and that I can leave some more enemies that I might of made whilst at school. Plus I will feel good about

being able to excell in my maths and hopefully be a level 8 when i start year 10

- a fresh start.
- making MORE friends
- BECAUSE ITS A BIGGER SCHOOL AND IT WILL MEAN ONLY 3 YEARS LEFT OF SCHOOL
- I know some people in the year above already
- i dont mind because i no lots of people and all my brothers are in the school...
- GETTING OUT OF SCHOOL SO I CAN GET THE JOB THAT I WANT
- going to an even biggger school, even though i have the same dougts as i did in primary school
- feeling more grown up
- get laptops and more people to come and help the pupils like ta's and made to be quite so othert people can concentrate and some cushions for cumfet because people can not concentrate whenthe seats are hard.
- nuffin coz im movin to the mainland n leavin everyone :(
- Not a lot because I don't want to turn into a horrid, cranky, rude (and scary) teenager at school because its already starting to look that way at home.....
- I WILL BE LEARNING EVEN MORE SKILLS MEETING NEW PEOPLE AND BEING PUSHED A BIT HARDER

- again i feel i am getting to the point were i will be a teenager and that makes me feel great
- the new development in coves high & more people
- I think it will be great because I will meet new friends and I will be able to chose my options so I can concentrate more on what i want to do in life.
- I get to see all my mates from middle school and also make new ones "!!!!!!!"
- I will be able to meet new people and do more advanced things also i wont have to do every lesson only the ones i enjoy and i think will be good for me and my future.
- That this next four years are going to be very important i need to get my head down and work hard! if i want a good job that is.
- i will be meetin new friends havving a new invioment to work in. Also i will be with most of me m8s so im not splitting up from them.
- I would feel bigger inside.
- I will be treated more like an adult.
- i will make new friends and get better PE lessions.
- my friends will be with me and i will make some more friends and its a sporty school
- Everyone has had the acceptance letter back but me and i dont want to go to any school but sandown so if i dont get in to sandown i will be sooo upset! x
- I cant wait because most of my friends are in yr 9,10 and 11

- My friends are in High School and in high school is much better bur harder. better becosuse you can were make up and your mobile phone. you can bringimng what ever you want to
- we will be with the older people, and we will be a teenager and it is a big school with loads of different mates we know and many to meet!
- YOU CAN MEET NEW PEOPLE AND YOU CAN CHOOSE WHICH SUBJECTS YOU WANT TO LEARN.
- IN HIGH SCHOOL THEY HAVE MORE BASKETBALL GAMES AND A LEAGUE
- being neer the end of school moving on with my life and getting money and studyin hard
- going to a different school and trying to make something of myself
- I think High School will be a good change because i have been there before and my brothers have also told me it's great.
- I WILL BE LEARNING MORE STUFF HARDER STUFF AND I WILL BE IN BIG SCHOOL AND IN A CUPPLE OF YEARS I WILL BE DOING MY JCSES
- I can bike to high school and one step closeryo being an a adult
- Most of my friends are going there and the high school i am going to is the best on the island
- I am in final final stage of compulsory education! And that i am becoming more and more indepentant and trusted and that i will have more optionals

and choice with what i do at High School without hearing you have to do this lesson and you have to do that lesson....

- being in a place where there is a lot of people that are very mature and that there will be a lot more kids that can help me out.
- you will be able to choose your future and will be treated as an adult even more than middle school
- well i will be with my sister and i will not be bullied and she will support me and so will all of her very nice friends. and others will be able to support me that are my own friends
- that i have always wanted to go to sandown high school and i got my first chose.
- NEW friends!! My best friend who i still keep in touch with moved and now shes going to the same middle school as me its way cool. So i'm really excited about that. & i really wanna make new friends who dont backstab! one min im really gd m8ts wiff em then im just NOT, im a complete LONER. so i wanna meet new people MY age. to make new friends and other m88ts who dont go to my school now i going to the same high school so its pretty cool.
- that i know what it feel's like because before i moved to the main land i moved to high school then left
- Getting in the Football team, Thinking about my Career when im older
- i ca choose my own subjects
- make more friends and bigger range of lessons

- new start, new friends, even greater confidence.
- that there is not much more time until i leave school and will learn more so i can get a better job
- I get to meet NEW people and start getting ready for the rest of my LIFE
- a new start
- THAT IT IS LIKE A SPORTS COLLAGE HIGH SKL (CARISBROOKE)  
INIT THO
- A CLEAN SLATE 4 ME AND ANOTHER NEW START
- new friends and wearing a blazer and tie
- I can turn over a new leaf, as I don't think anyone else is going to Cowes High school in Nodehill this year.
- being a step further to a job and a life. and going to the high school i wanted to go to and being with my friends
- GETTING GOOD QUALIFICATIONS
- That it will be a new start to my future new friends a new school
- MEETING NEW PEOPLE HAVING A COMPLETELY NEW BACKGROUND
- YOUR GOING TO BE STARTING YOU MAIN PART OF LIFE MAKING DECISIONS FOR THE FUTURE. A BIG STEP!
- i will have more freedom and will soon have finished school and going to college.
- Once again the prospect of a new area to work in and the chance to make friends from different places
- ill be closer to world domination

- Moving on to a bigger school making some more friends and wearing makeup!
- NEW STARTS AND ADVENTURE
- ITS EXCITING, I WILL MEET MORE PEOPLE, I LOVE TO GO TO NEW SCHOOLS
- that it is the last school until you leave school and you can start concentrating more on your future more people and more fit ladz !
- the teachers make you feel encouraged
- Excited because again i will make more friends and i will be more independent and older.
- i am getting closer to be learning and getting closer to my dream or job
- That I Like The High School I Am Moving To And I Know Its A Good Choice To Go To And My Old Friends Are Going There Too.
- the extra facilities, the extra lessons and more independence
- Feeling older and being able to make my own chooses
- New lifestyle
- only 3 years left of school yay. meeting new people.
- Meeting new friends, bigger place to play football and most of all its the last school that we have to go to!

## QUESTION TWENTY SEVEN

**After Year 8, you will be moving onto High School. What makes you feel not so good about moving onto High School?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- That most of my friends are going to different high schools to me so i wont see them that much anymore and that the work may be too difficult and challenging for my abilities.
- That I will be changing again and leaving some very good friends behind.
- More homework and harder work.
- Again being bulled but not so much now i am mostly worried about being split up from my friends
- Missing my teachers, and beign scarred of how I will be socially accepted in High School from bad social experiences from Middle School.
- GCSE's im scared of my resaults. I want to be a really successfull person when im older and i really want to impress my family but if i dont get the grades that i need it might not happen.
- makes you feel gorwn up and moved away from teacher and people you dont like at this school
- what makes me not feel good is that i dont have my own people like same colour as me and i want to have quite few asian people because i never had a asian mate in the isle of wight plus am a bit worried because what if

people be races to me plus now days no one does anything about it so its just me supporting my self.

- I have even more closer friends here and that i would be extremely sad and heartbroken if I never get to see them again. I would also feel a bit vulnerable about moving to a school where I could either be bulloed again or that i could feek neglected by my peers
- BULLYING... i know that there is bullys in every school but i would say mainly high schools, also i see older children in high school smoking swearing etc. which kind of scares me!!!!
- because me and my best mate is not going to be best mates any more coz it happens all the time...
- THAT THE SCHOOL IM IN KNOW IS LIKE A PEA COMPARED TO THE HIGH SCHOOL IM GOING TO
- We are the youngest and the year 10's might be horrible to me.
- I think that i could get lost quite easily becaause it is a big school.Also im not sure what kind of people are there.
- Again being bottom of the school and not knowing where to go.
- LEAVING ALL MY FRIENDS BEHIND!!! And what people will think of me and wat sets i will be in and if i will be infulenced by people and not so as well in school as i had hoped. And if the work will be too hard and if the teachers will like me and if they will help me or if they will just tell me off!
- that i might end up doing things i will regret like drinking smokeing or taking drugs.

- i am scared i will be made fun of by my old friends cause im going to private school
- That i am one step closer to becoming an adult and soon will have to stand on my own two feet.
- Gangs
- i might get peer pressure with different stuff. and i might not get along wiv teachers
- if you dont make a good impresshion to start off the year the teachers will think your a trouble making and not a nice person and there will be bigger and naster people in high school and just saying you might get bullyed
- the trip as its a train
- Getting lost. Being in different clases to my freinds and then having to try and make freinds. also leaving freinds behind. and getting there.
- Im going to a really big school and there is so many more people and it will probably scare me because im not used to so many people at one school. Also i really dont want to get involved with alcohol and drugs.
- bullying, not finding my way around and being offered cigerettes and drugs and alcohol.
- meeting older people who smoke and do bad things what were not meant to do
- I will have a long travel to pertsmouth everyday.

- You will be the lowest in the school and i might get bullyed beacuse what i have got wrong with me hopefully not . i might get spilt up from my friends and they will all be together
- I FEEL SCEARED BECUSE ALL THE PEOPLKE THAT WAS THERE BE 4 US WILL BOSS US ROUND !!
- The thing that worries me is the GCSE's. I hope I will hopefully pass, because I know I'm good at English, Music, Maths and many more.
- more test gcse, sats , lots more homework strickter teachers, more bullying and goin away from your freinds.
- Leaving friends that will be going to different high school all over the island. There will be much older teenaagers at high school which could be very itmidating.
- That My Future Is Really Close And I Almost Feel Rushed To Chose A Job And That Im Getting Alot Older So I Have Alot More Responsibility
- More homework, Older kids acting as if they're hardnuts/chavs
- THINGS THAT MAKE ME NOT WANT TO GO TO HIGH SCHOOL IS THAT WHEN I WORK I WILL WANT TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL
- THAT ALL THE PPL THAT H8 ME IN DER WILL LIKE BE RUFFING ME UP AND I WILL BE LOSING ALL ME HOMIES
- I WILL B LIKE LEAVIN SOME OH MA HOMMIES AND WE IZ ALL LIKE TOTAL CLOSE AND WE IZ GUNMA NEDD 1S TO TAKE A BULLET 4 YA INNIT COS WE WELL ROUGH INNIT LLLLLLOOOOOOLLLLL IITTTTTTTTTTEEEEEEEEEEEEE

- THAT PEOPLE SMOKE AND I MITE GET BULLED
- CHAVS AND BULLIES
- What people are going to think of me.
- It will take ages to settle and by the time i have, i will have to go to college.
- It is big and I will probaly get lost :D I wont know anybody at first the new teachers maybe strict I wont know where to go
- It will be a big school and i might loose my way around the school..And i might be going into a class that no-one else from my middle school is.
- it will be skery
- knowing that if i do something wrong i will get a straight detention instead of warnings.
- I might get involved with things i sshouldent do , like drugs so on.
- the teachers make you feel incoraged
- NEW ENEMIES
- The fact i be in a more tougher class and fail.
- Bullies. I have been bullied before and it was the worst experience of my life. thats why I moved middle schools in year 6.
- THAT I MIGHT BE AT BOTTEM SET AND I WILL NOT GET A GOOD JOB.
- Its really big, nasty people go there, everybody gets rumors told to them saying go to the north block, when there ISNT one, There wont be a pupil services there, i have to leave all my freinds in year 5,6 & 7.

- I dont feel so good because I am also going to a whole new place and i dont want to be seperated from all my friends
- The bullys and having to do more work for A levels and GCSE's
- tha t the school is even bigger ,they push you for good grades and are vey strict with you
- i realy realy dont want to go to high school atall but i will have to get use to the fact that i will be going soon .
- It is big and i fell i may get lost.
- i don't want to go to high school because i like middle school. i don't like the uniform at the school i am going to. i want tp stay at middle school because i know the teachers and the school and i am happy were i am.
- I am still wary there might be bullies. I think people may pick out bad points in my appearance and make fun of them. I also think the workload may be too much as i am not good at getting homework done.
- The GCSEs sound hard from the opinion that my sister gave me. Also I feel I need to live up to my sisters standards as she gets mostly As and A stars.
- bullies, there wont be a pupil services, people smoke at a young age, being split up with all my freinds, being put with people i dont like in the same classes, growing up so quickly, Dont want to be put in a dunce set,
- Again Being The Youngest And Also People Smoking Around Me

## **QUESTION TWENTY EIGHT**

**After Year 8, you will be moving onto High School. What could be done to help you settle into High School?**

**This was an open question and a selection of written responses are listed below. Please note that these responses have not been edited and as such have been quoted verbatim from the answers received.**

- make sure there is no bulllys
- I would prefer to be with a few of my friends as I would feel a little more confident.
- being able to meet people
- communications between parents ans teachers
- friends
- a tour round
- fun activities
- GUIDE PEOPLE AROUND THE SCHOOL
- STAY WITH MY CLOSE FRIENDS
- NICE GUYS HELPING YOU
- DON'T BE NERVOUS
- MAKE REALLY GOOD FRIENDS
- TEACHERS SHOWING YOU AROUND
- HAVE SOME OLDER PEOPLE SHOW YOU ROUND SO YOU DON'T GET LOST, OR A MAP. PEOPLE IN MY CLASSES THAT I KNOW
- BEING PUT INTO A GROUP WITH MY FRIENDS

## CONCLUSION

I hope this report has made for some interesting reading and that the responses gathered will give you a good insight into the kind of issues and pressures that are facing Island young people during their transition into adulthood.

It seems computers and the internet have now fully integrated themselves within both the school and home environments and are regarded by most as the first port of call for both information and entertainment.

Schools actively encourage learning through education based games and give students a good understanding of various software packages ranging from office based applications through to web design and video making. This makes for an interesting and responsive experience in the classroom and I was very impressed with the facilities within all of the schools that I visited and the availability of use for pupils, especially those who did not have those facilities available to them at home.

Pupils were very honest in their responses and although on one hand technology is helping them further their skills and knowledge through ICT, Mobile Phones, TV and Video Games are all identified as distractions whilst learning.

With constant media attention focussed on celebrities and how they are supposed to look, it come as no surprise that Image is a major factor that contributes to the pressures that face the young people on a regular basis and this can also be recognised in some of the responses regarding bullying.

The fear of bullying is perhaps the biggest worry for the young people that were surveyed, but it is important to note that this does not mean that the Island has a significant bullying problem. It is probably quite comparable to the general public's fear of becoming victims of crime compared to actual incidents occurring and this should be considered when looking at this issue.

Looking forward to the future, aspirations for employment and financial stability at 21 seem to be high amongst Island young people. A whole range of rewarding and challenging careers were identified and most young people feel they will be the most important people in helping them to achieve their goals.

Although they seem to worry about leaving friends and meeting new people as they join high school, many talk with a sense of eagerness and adventure about the new journey that their life is taking and experiencing some of the opportunities that lie ahead. This is not dissimilar to how most of us feel when starting new jobs or moving on so it's perfectly natural to go through these emotions throughout life when experiencing new things.

This report was designed to scratch the surface of issues that face the Island young people and I believe we have achieved a balanced report that highlights both the positive outcomes and possible areas for further research.

With anonymity assured to all respondents, we have gained an accurate, useful and reliable insight into some of the pressures that face them as they prepare for high school along with their thoughts, comments and attitude towards the challenges that they may have to overcome as they become older.

Whilst it is useful for us to review the information contained within this report, it is equally important to feedback to the young people the findings of this survey. Therefore, the report will be made available to all Island Middle Schools as a PDF download through [www.greengoldfish.com](http://www.greengoldfish.com). We would also like to encourage all schools to provide a link to the survey through their school Intranet to ensure maximum availability for those pupils who wish to read the report.

In addition to the full report, a summarised shorter document will also be available which will feature the Overview, Key Findings and Conclusion in a separate report.

May I again take this opportunity to thank all of the pupils, teachers and schools for their support in enabling this survey to take place and welcoming me into your school environment, especially with the timescales involved and at such an important time in Island education.

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