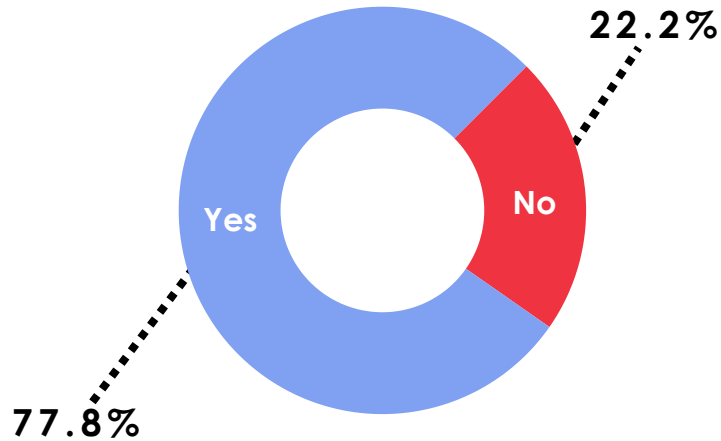
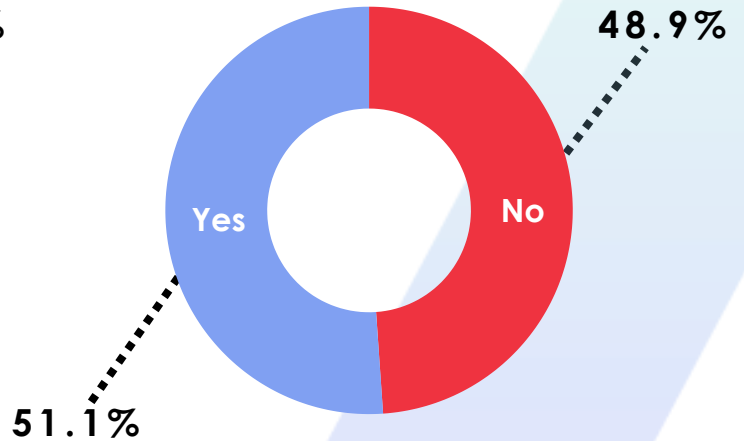


YOUR LATEST RESULTS

5-7: Does school help with your relationships?



7-11: Do you get enough relationships education in school?



This VoteTopic received 42,264 total votes.

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

5-9: Have you heard people using unkind names?

9-11: Have you heard people being homophobic?

- Why do you think someone might choose to call someone else unkind names?
- How do you think negative language affects people?
- Is it easy to challenge people when they use unkind language?

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

- *"If there's positive LGBTQ+ messaging within the school system, 100 per cent of people's mental health and happiness increases. It's a no brainer." - Jonathan Bailey, Actor and Just Like Us Ambassador.*
- *"We know that LGBTQ+ young people face disproportionate challenges compared to their non-LGBT+ peers, whether that's bullying, mental health challenges or fewer workplace opportunities." - Laura Mackay, CEO of Just Like Us.*

A CLOSER LOOK: HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



In 2013, the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act was passed. England and Wales. This law was a landmark moment for the LGBT+ community, as it gave any couple the right to be legally married. 2024 marked the ten-year anniversary of the first same-sex marriage taking place.

On 29th March 2014, the first same-sex marriage took place seconds after midnight between Peter McGraith and David Cabreza. Their wedding started with a party at 9pm in Islington Town Hall. The ceremony began at 11.30pm, and at midnight the registrar (someone who is legally allowed to hold a marriage service) was allowed to come into the building. They left at 12.20am - outside, there were lots of people and photographers ready to capture this historic event.

YOUR GUIDED READING QUESTIONS

- When was the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act passed?
- What were same-sex couples now able to do?
- Who were the first same-sex couple to get married?
- Explain what a registrar is.
- Why were photographers waiting outside?

THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

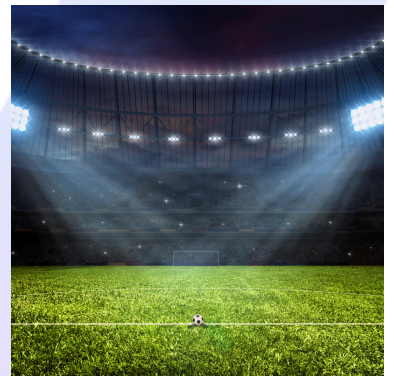
UK inflation on target

Inflation, which is the term we use to describe rising prices, is at its lowest level in the UK in three years. This means the Bank of England's target was met. This was driven by a slight fall in prices of food and soft drinks.



Men's Euros 2024 kick off

In the opening game of the tournament, Germany (the host of this year's Euros) beat Scotland 5-1. This is the 8th time that Germany have managed to win their opening game game - no other team has done this.



Taking to time to write?

A new survey by the National Literacy Trust has shown that the number of children who like to write in their spare time is getting smaller. Fewer than 3 in 10 young people aged 8-18 enjoy writing in their free time.



Rise and shine

Astronomers at the European Space Observatory (ESA) have discovered a black hole "waking up". They noticed sudden brightness coming from a very distant galaxy. It has been glowing brighter since 2019.



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THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

Voting registration closed

Voting registration for the 2024 General Election has now closed. Millions of people were being urged to sign up ahead of the deadline at 23:59 on 18th June. Those who have registered will need to make sure they have photo ID.



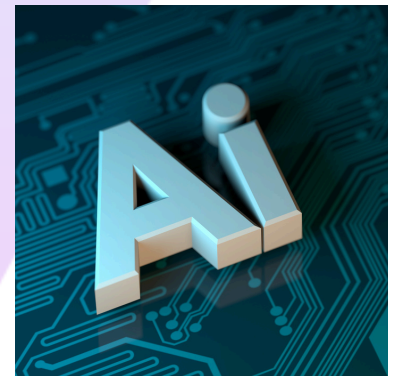
SNP launch manifesto

John Swinney, who is the leader of the Scottish National Party, has said that winning a majority of Scottish seats in the election would trigger talks about Scotland becoming independent from the rest of the UK.



The first AI MP?

A nominee (Steve Endacott), who has put himself forward to run for Brighton Pavilion in the election, has said that an AI avatar named AI Steve would be available 24/7 to answer constituents concerns and questions.



Having a say

First-time voters have said that politicians “evade difficult questions” in order to win votes. This is just one of the views of young people on the way all major parties are running their election campaigns.



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