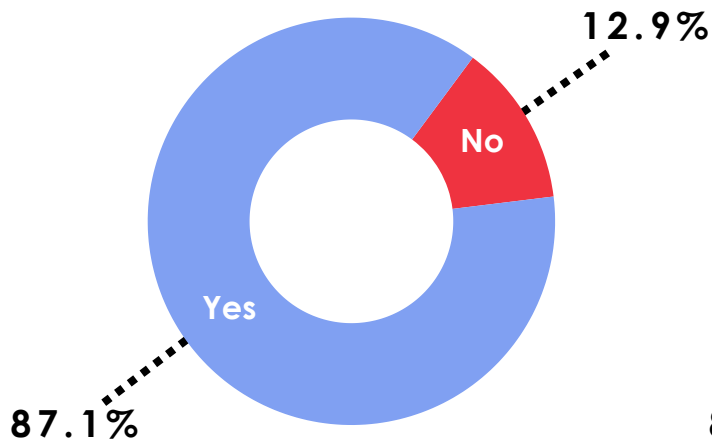


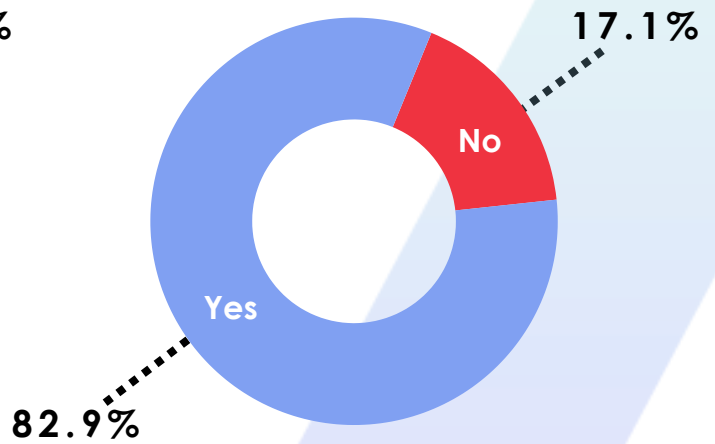
# VOTESFORSCHOOLS AT HOME

## YOUR LATEST RESULTS

5-7: Would you like more wildlife in your towns and cities?



7-11: Would you like to see more wildlife in your towns and cities?



*This VoteTopic received 52,658 total votes.*

## THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTIONS

5-7: Do you know how to keep your information safe?

7-11: Do you know how to spot an online scam?

- Which information do you need to keep private?
- What kind of online scams do you already know about?
- How can people protect themselves from online scams?

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

- *"Buying directly from reputable, authorised platforms is the only way to guarantee you're paying for a genuine ticket." - Liz Ziegler, Fraud Prevention Director at Lloyds Bank.*
- *"We cannot simply trust that technology will be safe. And in some cases, cyber criminals are taking advantage of weaknesses." -Lindy Cameron, CEO of National Cyber Security Centre.*

## A CLOSER LOOK: BIOMETRICS



Online scams are making the headlines a lot at the moment and everyone is thinking about how to protect their personal information and their passwords. Is biometric technology the way to keep your information secure?

So what is biometric technology? Biometric information is data that is found on every human's body. For example, every human fingerprint has a unique formation, while every human eye has a distinct individual pattern. Once this information has been taken directly from the original person, it can be used to check someone's identity using any technology with touch-screen sensors and cameras (such as smartphones).

Voice and face recognition technology is already being used in many major banks across the UK, although some people still choose to stick with traditional passwords.

### YOUR GUIDED READING QUESTIONS

- Find and copy a word that means "safe" in the first paragraph.
- What is biometric information?
- Which two parts of our body have unique patterns?
- Which types of technology can use biometric information?
- Does everyone now use biometric information?

## THIS WEEK'S OTHER NEWS STORIES

### **Controversial Rwanda Bill is passed**

After a debate that lasted over 8 hours, MPs in Parliament voted 312 to 237 in favour of the Rwanda Bill. The Bill has taken many months to reach this point, partly due to the changes put forward by the House of Lords.



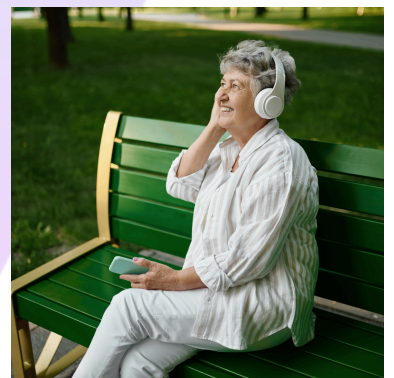
### **A mammoth election**

Between now and 1st June, 969 million people in India will go to the polls to vote. There are 2,600 different political parties across the country, and some of the machines used for voting are even carried on the backs of elephants!



### **NATURE reaches a global audience**

NATURE - as in birdsong or ocean waves - now has its own artist page on Spotify. Music by singers like David Bowie and Ellie Goulding, which feature NATURE, will raise money for conservation projects over the next four years.



### **Worming its way into our hearts**

The humble earthworm has been named UK Invertebrate of the Year! 38% of those who voted in The Guardian's competition chose the lumbricus terrestris for the top spot - it managed to beat a rare species of bumblebee and the glowworm.



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