#### John Scottus NS 47-49 Northumberland Road Ballsbridge Dublin 4



**Green School Energy Theme** 



#### Step 1 - Green School Committee

- The Green School Committee has members from Junior Infants all the way to Sixth class.
- Each class selected their Green School representative through voting or nomination
- It is the Green School Committees responsibility to remind <u>EVERYBODY</u> that they are responsible for taking care of the school environment





#### Step 1 - Green School Committee

- JIY Freya McKeever and Conor Groarke
- JIR Nolan Jameson Hill and Lele Yi
- SIR Anais Weil Brennan
- SIY Amelie Timmins
- 1R Alexander Maguire
- 2Y Yuhan Yang and Savannah Phoenix-Munroe
- 2R Evan Pyron Shah and Mia Lester
- 3C Jac Lennon Roberts, Aishwarya Pillai, Yashvi Sinha
- 4B Alexander Bailey and Trinhien Lekhac
- 4G Maude Kinlay and Layla Denning
- 5SG Pia Bower, Avi Grunewald, Lindoluhle
  Skosana
  - 5AM Poppy Connolly and Abbie Lester
  - 6C Excel Okafor, Zoe Maguire and Sarah

- Committee members from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class
  meet once a week after school for 1 hour
- We review our energy usage and are coming up with a plan, with your help, on how to save energy.
- Each member informs their class mates about decisions taken at Green School committee meetings and developments relating to the action plan through assemblies or the Green School noticeboard

#### Here are the Green School Crew







#### Step 1 - Green School Committee

Here are some of the jobs the crew has completed so far:

- 1. Reading the Electricity and Gas Meter every day, recording the reading in a Log Sheet
- 1. An Appliance Audit to check what appliances are present and how much energy they use
- 2. Energy Vampire Hunt to check how many appliances are left turned on or on standby when not in use
- 3. An Energy Black Spot Audit to check if there are any patterns of where we are losing energy in the school





The Story So Far....

**Heating:** Our building is heated by Natural Gas. There are 2 separate boilers for number 47 and 49 that heat the water in our taps and the radiators. There is one boiler for Morehampton road.

**Electricity and Lighting:** We have mixture of standard light bulbs, energy saving light bulbs and motion sensor bulbs

**Recycling:** Each classroom has a recycling bin. The Green School Committee members make sure that everyone puts the correct materials in the recycling bin

Litter Monitors: The monitors continue to check that each classroom is neat and tidy and disposing of their litter correctly. They are also in charge of the litter league

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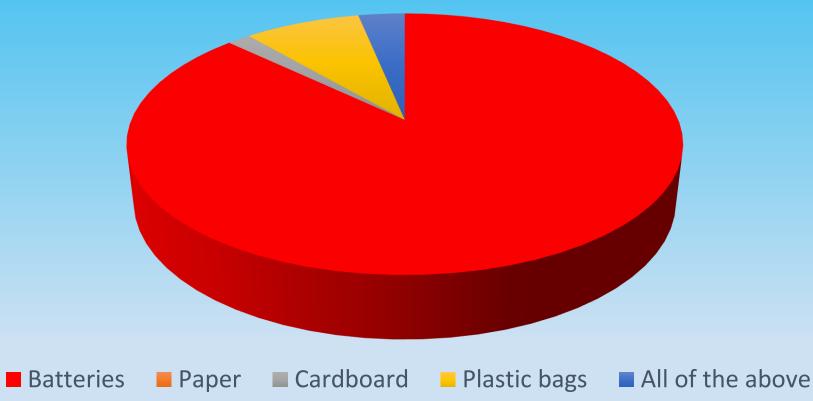
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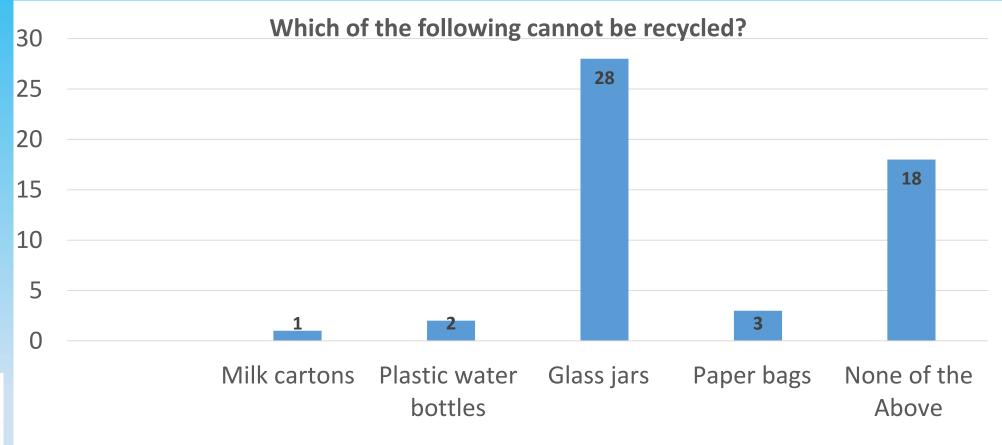








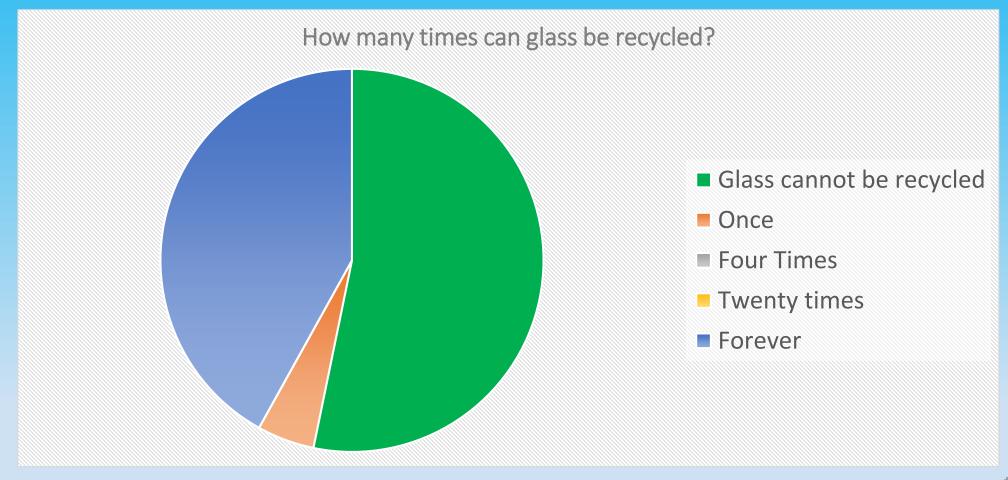
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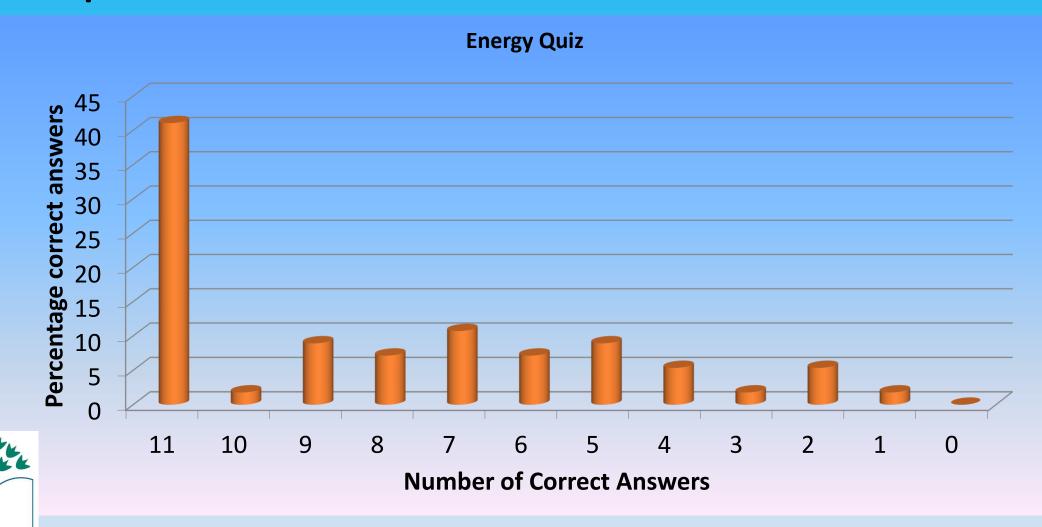


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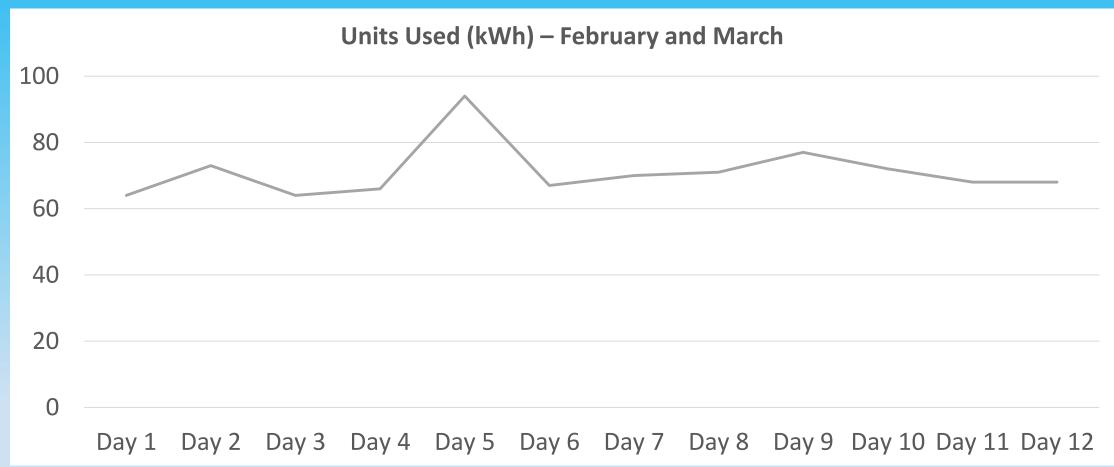
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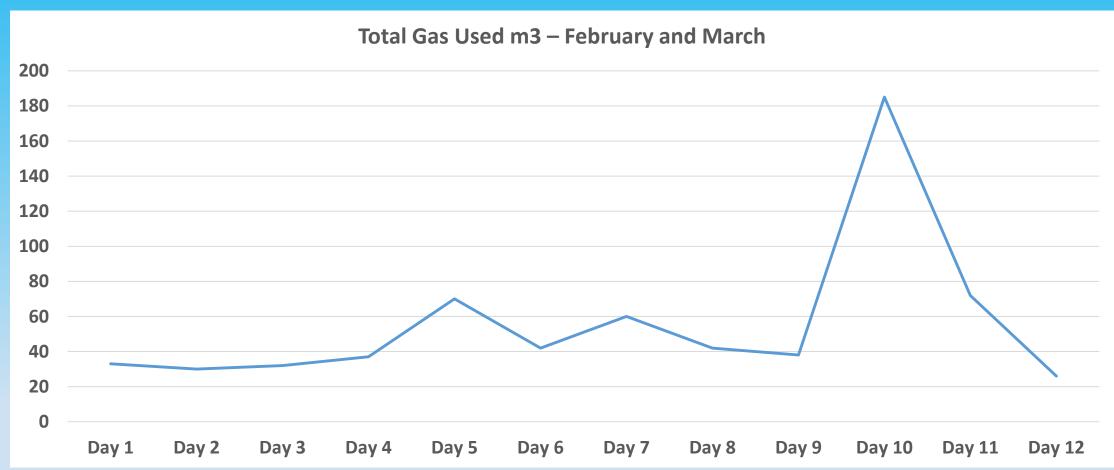






#### How much gas do we use?





### Step 2 – Environmental Review Energy Questionnaire

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We would like to encourage you and your family to complete the energy questionnaire that was sent home in Friday's newsletter. We want to know about how much energy we are using at home and to get our parents to think about ways to save energy at home.

If you have any energy saving tips, we want to hear about them as we want to let the whole school know.

All the results will be on the Green School notice board and the school website.

#### The Story So Far....

As a result of our surveys and questionnaires so far, we discovered that:

- We need to do a bit more work on reminding everyone of what can be recycled and reused
- Some of our classrooms leave heaters on with doors and windows left open, computers and projectors on with nobody present in the room





### **Energy Questionnaire**

We conducted an energy questionnaire to find out how much energy we are using at home. We asked our parents to think of ways to save energy at home. All the tips and results to the questionnaire are on the school website. These were the results:

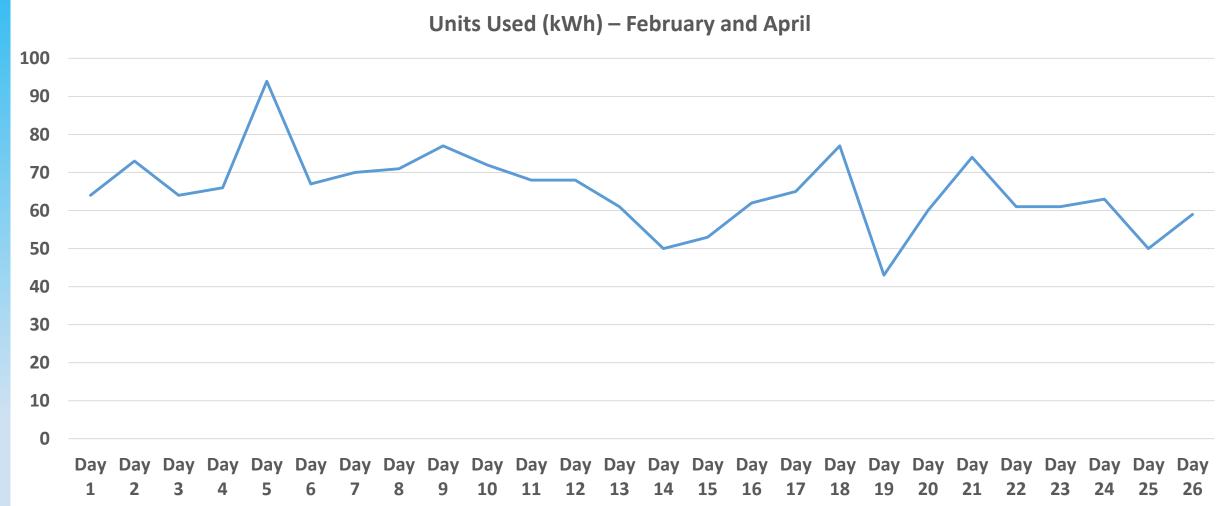






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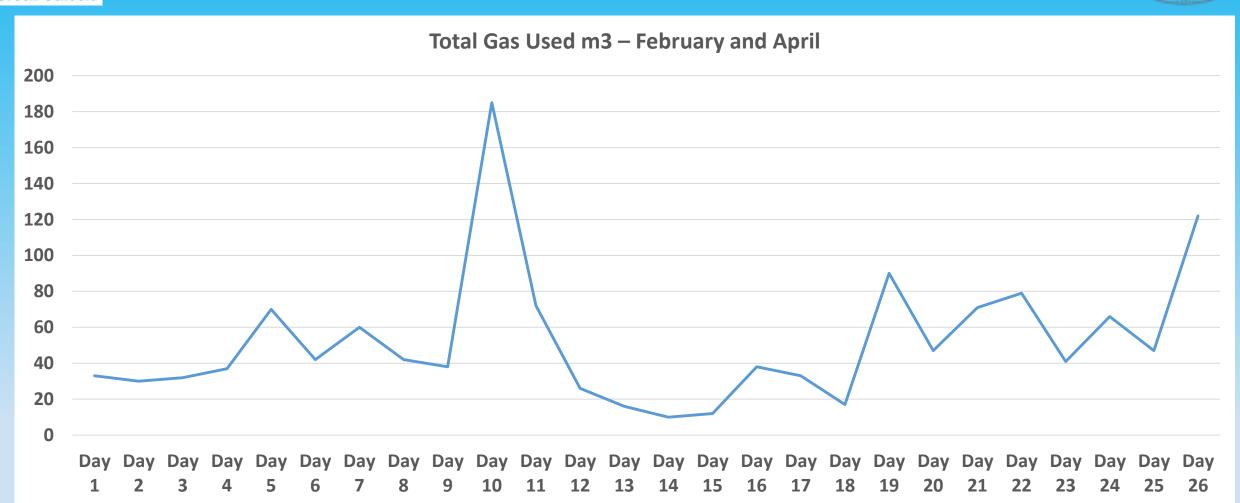




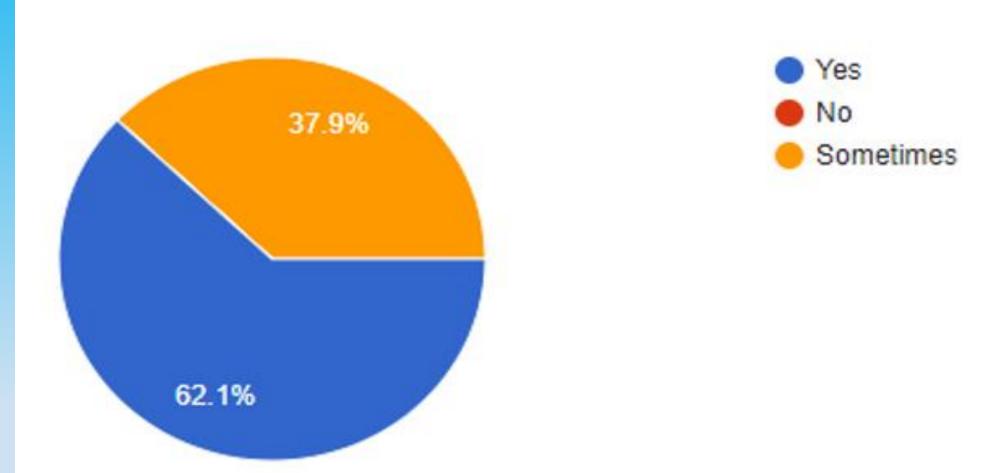


#### How much Gas do we use?



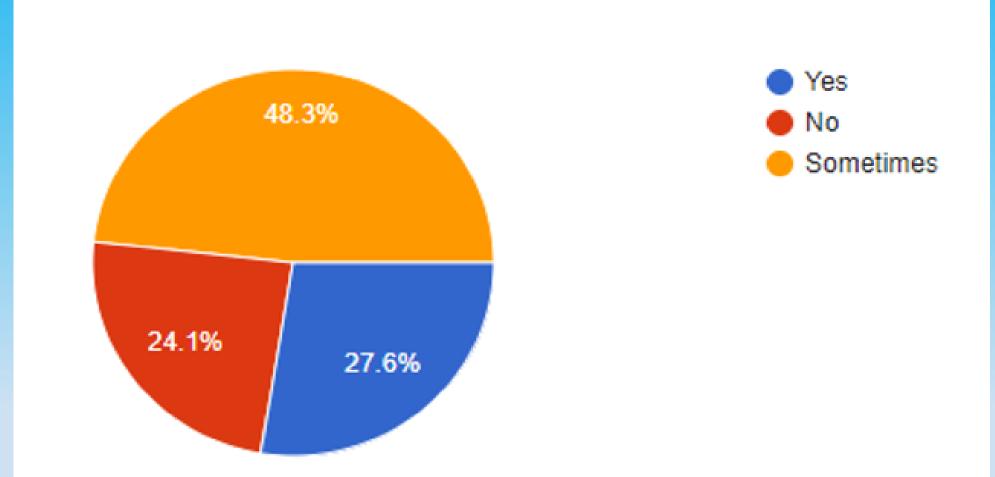


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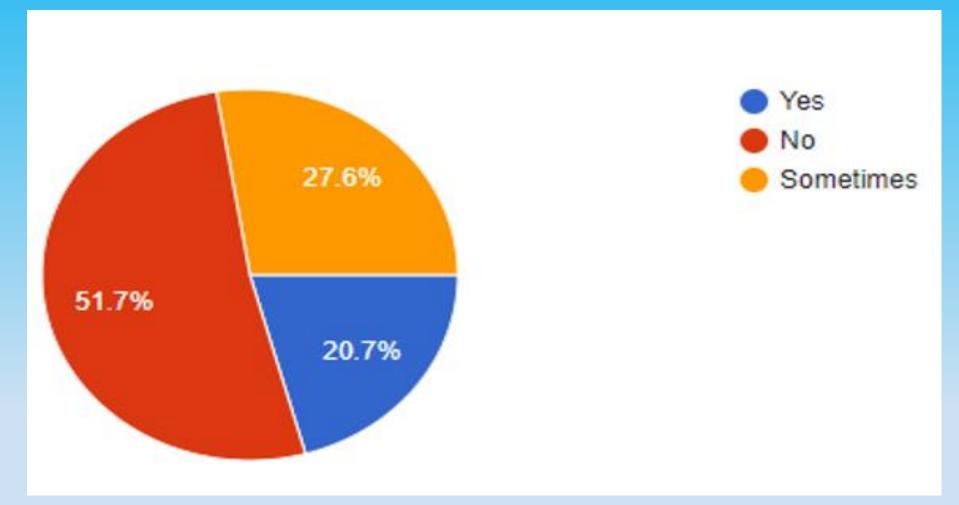


## 2. Do you leave electrical devices on standby when they are not in use?





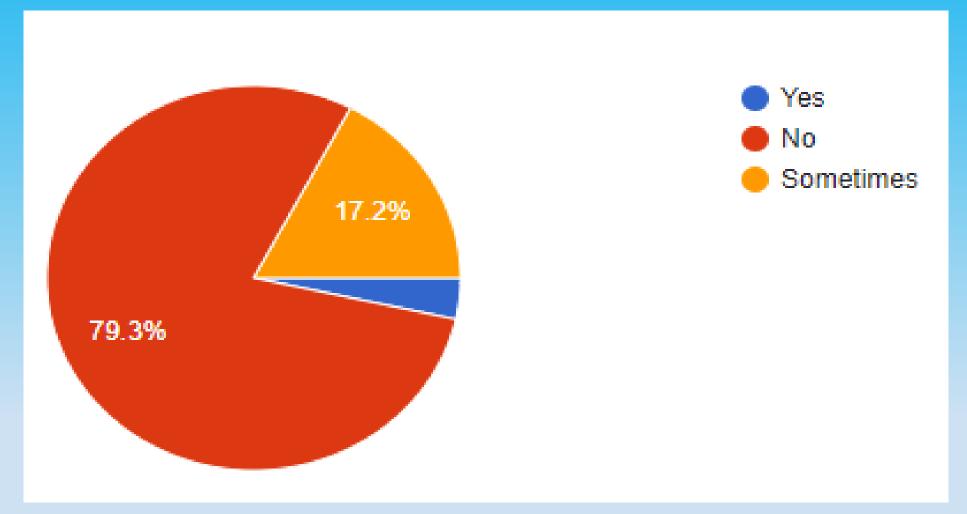
# 3. Do you leave your phone plugged in after it is fully charged?







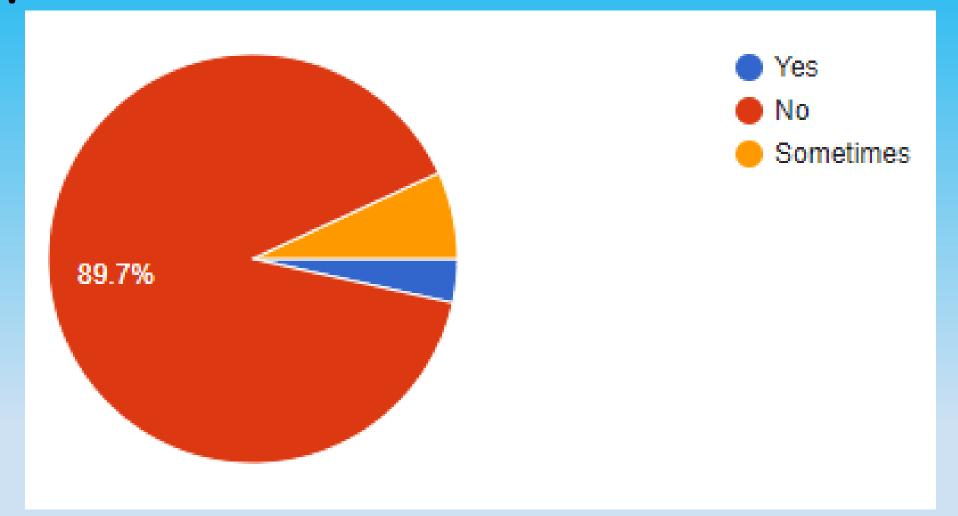
## 4. Do you put on the washing machine when it is not full?







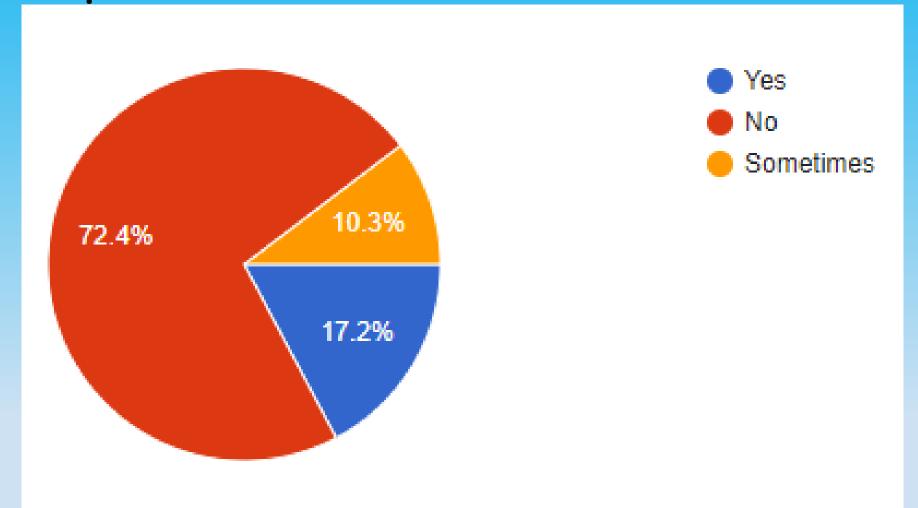
### 5. Do you put on the dishwasher when it is not full?







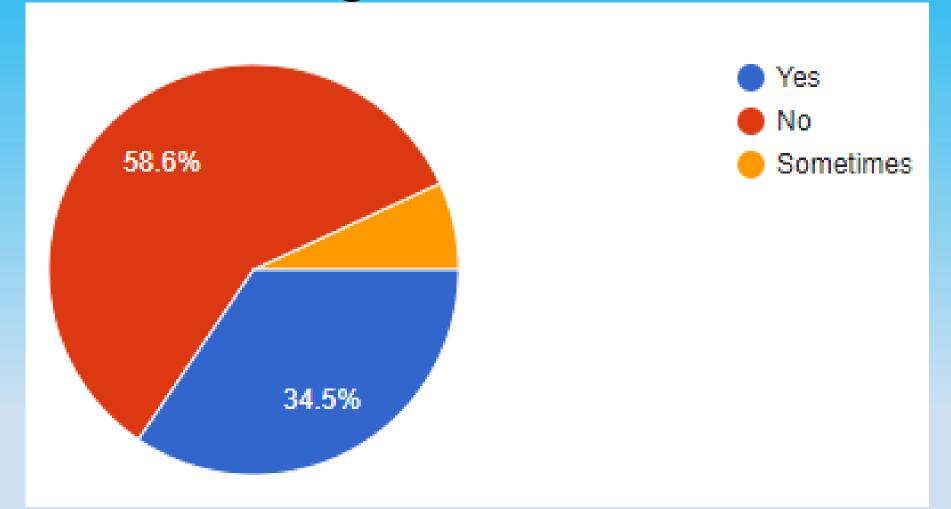
## 6. Do you fill the kettle when you only want one cup of tea?







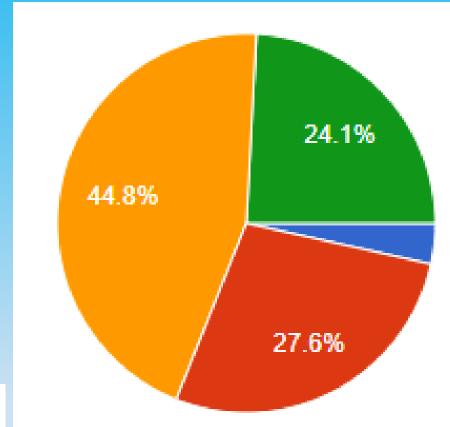
## 7. Do you leave your TV on standby overnight instead of turning it off?







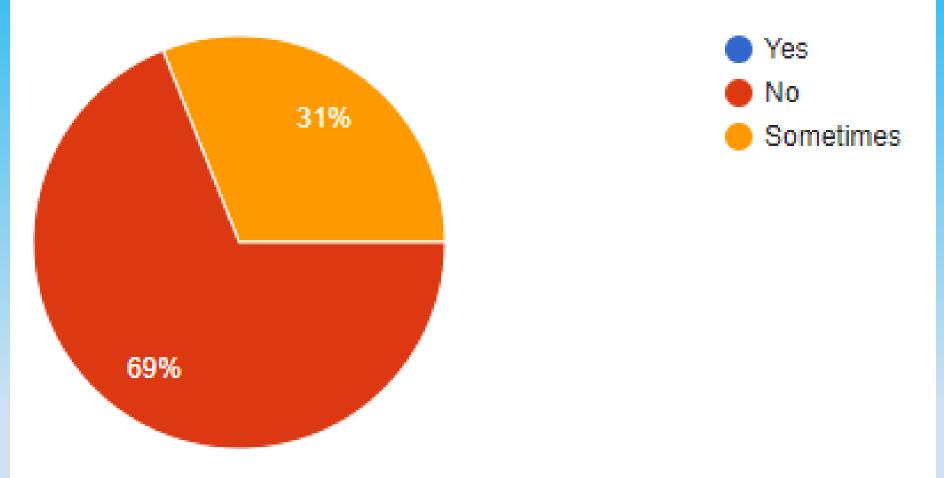
### 8. On average how long do you use the shower?



- Less than 3 minutes
- Less than 5 minutes
- Less than 10 minutes
- More than 10 minutes



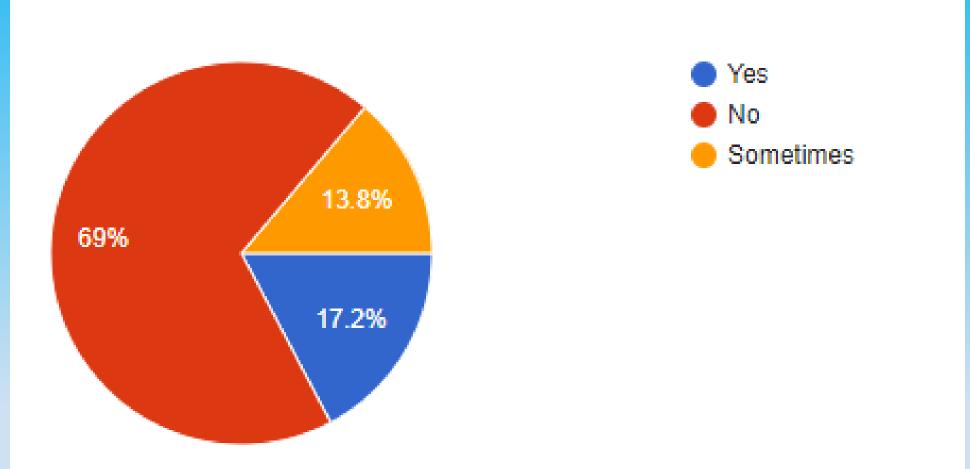
## 9. Do you leave the windows open when you have the heat on?







## 10. Do you leave the tap running when you are brushing your teeth?





### Some energy saving tips from our parents

	Turn off computers at the weekend and evening	Continue to recycle
	Change to energy saving/LED light bulbs/motion sensor lights	Use things only when needed
	Install solar panels	Cycle or walk where possible
	Turn off lights and electrical devices throughout the day when you are not using them	Water efficient toilets
	Try not to charge phones/tablets overnight	Have an energy saving awareness campaign and an energy saving day
	Reduce paper at home and in school by drawing/writing on both sides	Close the doors and turn off the heat when you are not in the building
4	Use a timer for the heater system	Do a 30/40 degree wash for your clothes in the



Washing machine

#### **Our Action Plan**

We have 2 targets that we want to achieve:

1. To raise awareness among the John Scottus school community of the Green Schools Energy theme.

Switch It Off poster campaign (Thursday 31st of May)

2. To reduce electricity and gas usage by 10% by the end of 2019.

Low Energy Day

(Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of June)

