**For a while Highland Council has been trying out an idea for pupils from Kinbrace to go to Helmsdale Primary, instead of Kinbrace Primary.**

**Now we have to decide what to do for the future. We have 3 choices:**

1. **Close Kinbrace Primary for good, with most of the pupils going to Helmsdale Primary instead. Pupils who lived in Forsinard could go to Melvich Primary instead.**
2. **Re-open Kinbrace Primary, so pupils from Kinbrace, Badanloch and Forsinard would go to that school and not to Helmsdale or Melvich.**
3. **Keep trying out the idea for a bit longer before we decide for good.**

Which idea do you think is best? In the table below, place a tick next to which one you think is best.

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| Idea No. 1 – Close Kinbrace Primary. | **7** |
| Idea No. 2 – Re-open Kinbrace Primary. | **10** |
| Idea No.3 – Keep trying out the idea for a bit longer. | **5** |

1. Why did you give the answer above?

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| If it closes we can get more boys and girls in our school. 1  Because then there’s another school. 2  I think someone should re-open Kinbrace Primary because it will be a shorter distance for people who live up in Kildonan instead of driving to Helmsdale Primary. 2  I think they should open it because it probably was a good school. It was probably handy for their kids. 2  I ticked it because it is costing loads of money to keep it open when there are only 1-2 pupils and that money could pay another teacher in another school. 1  I think that they should re-open Kinbrace Primary because it will be a shorter distance for people. 2  If we re-open Kinbrace we won’t need a school bus. 2  If it stays like this then we can decide later. 3  Because I was not sure. 3  I gave this answer because I didn’t know. 3  I chose 3 because I don’t know what to choose. 3  I think it should stay as it is so people have more time to decide. 3  We need more time to make a better decision. 3  I gave the answer because hardly anyone will go to it. 1  I chose to close Kinbrace Primary because what’s the point in opening the school again to only teach about 10 children. 1  Because it’s not fair on them or us. 2  I picked no 2 because it is a shorter trip for the pupils. 2  So there’s a shorter trip for the people that would be going to Kinbrace school. 2  The school should re-open because soon we will not have enough transport. 2  They should shut it down because there are only 4 people in the school. 1  I think they should shut it down because the school doesn’t have a lot of pupils. 1 |

1. Is there anything else you want to tell Highland Council about, that would help us make the right choice?

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