

Highland Council has to decide which schools children go to if they choose to learn Gaelic and would like to have all their classes taught in Gaelic.

At the moment, Craighill Primary School offers lessons in Gaelic. How far should other children travel to Craighill from, if they want to be taught in Gaelic?

1. There are 8 primary schools where children transfer to Tain Royal Academy when they go to high school – Craighill, Knockbreck, Inver, Tarbat Old, Hill of Fearn, Hilton of Cadboll, Edderton, and Gledfield. We think that children from any of these schools should be able to go to Craighill to be taught in Gaelic.
2. We think that children from Dornoch and Bonar Bridge should also be able to come to Craighill Primary, if they want to be taught in Gaelic.
3. We think that children from the schools in and around Invergordon - Park Primary, South Lodge Primary, Milton Primary and Newmore Primary, should also be able to come to Craighill Primary, if they want to be taught in Gaelic.
4. We think other places are too far from any other school for the children to be able to travel to learn in Gaelic.

The map shows where pupils would travel from, if they want to learn in Gaelic

Do you think our ideas are good ones? Please tick the answer below that you think is best.

YES	9
NO	20

### **Can you tell us why you gave the answer above?**

#### **Comments from P4/5**

- I think that Lairg should be included in the catchment for Craighill Primary because I come from Lairg and it is only half an hour which isn't too long to travel. It would be sad to stop people from Lairg coming to Craighill.

#### **Comments from P6/7**

- I think the catchment should be wider. It's not fair to stop people coming to Gaelic just because they live a wee while away.
- The more people we include in the area the more people can learn Gaelic.
- 1 pupil thinks the catchment is a good idea but is unsure with the current map.
- 3 pupils were unsure and could not vote. One suggested there should be more Gaelic in other schools.
- It's not fair on people that live out with the catchment.
- It's not fair that the Highland Council gets to choose where pupils go.
- I think that it isn't fair if some kids get the opportunity to learn in Gaelic but others outside the catchment won't.
- I think Lairg, Golspie and Brora should be included.
- It is not fair if other people in their families speak Gaelic but they won't be able to go to a Gaelic school.
- The class questioned whether restricting pupils from GME goes against articles 28 and 30 of the UNCRC Rights of the Child.

