

Attendance Matters!

We gathered the views of Voice Glos forum members in December at our PuttPutt golf social event.

13 members took part, aged 13-18 years. 7 girls and 6 boys. 4 were also unaccompanied asylum-seeking children.

Additionally, we asked the ambassadors, you can identify which views came from each group by referring to the key at the bottom of each slide.



Ambassadors
For vulnerable
children/young people





Meetings.

Some lessons.

**Keeping school separate
from home – not getting
involved in my private
life.**

**My
friends.**

**Riding my bike – having my local
authority taxi drop me outside a
friends to ride in with.
Continuing on as normal.**

**One
friend.**

**Being allowed to
attend school.**

Tutor.

**Friends and my
favourite teacher.**

**Knowing education
will help me in the
future.**

Told I would have to move hours away – although I never did this scared me.

Hard to say goodbye – built good friendships.

Making new friends.

Leaving friends behind.

Repeating learning.

Not accepting me

Different syllabi at different schools is daunting.

How it feels to have to move schools

Worrying about being the new person and people's impressions of me.

School was the only place that felt stable amongst all the chaos.

It is lonely to leave friends behind.

Rebuilding relationships with teachers and peers.