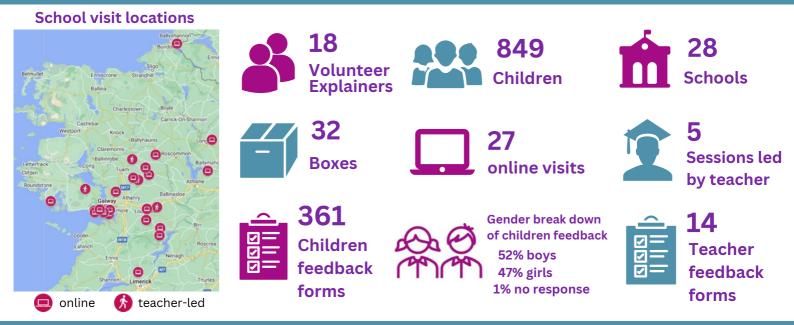


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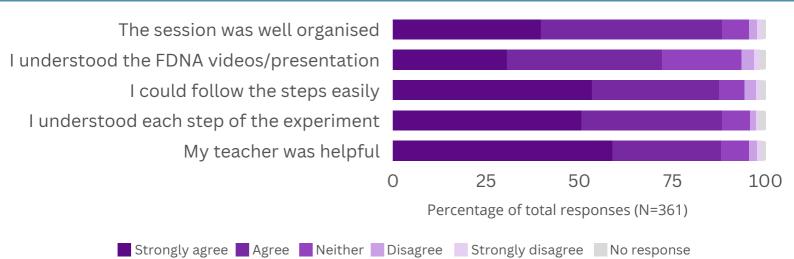


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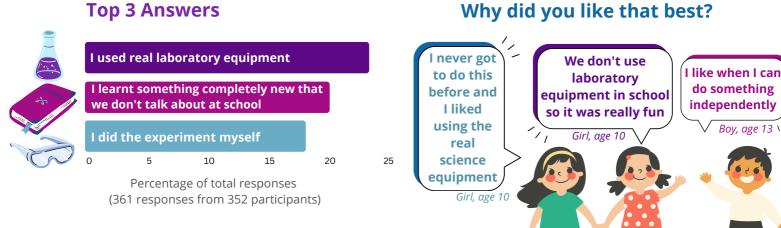
## Schools visited by the University of Galway team



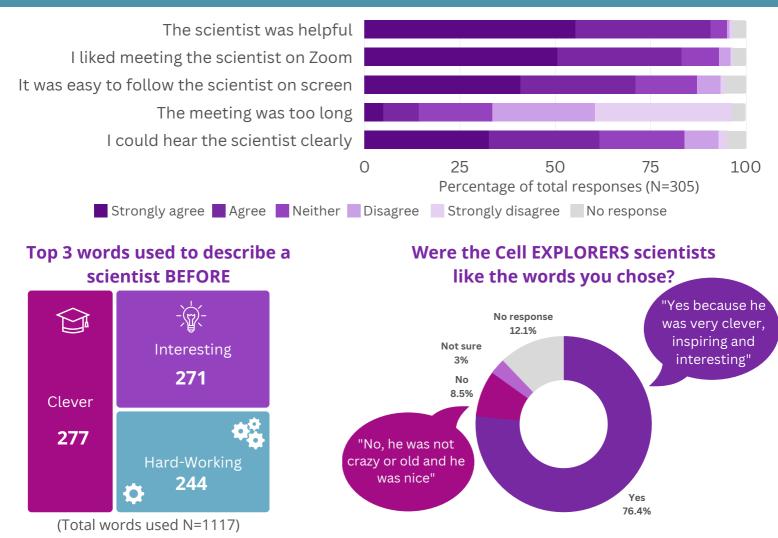
## Children understood the experiment and could follow the steps easily



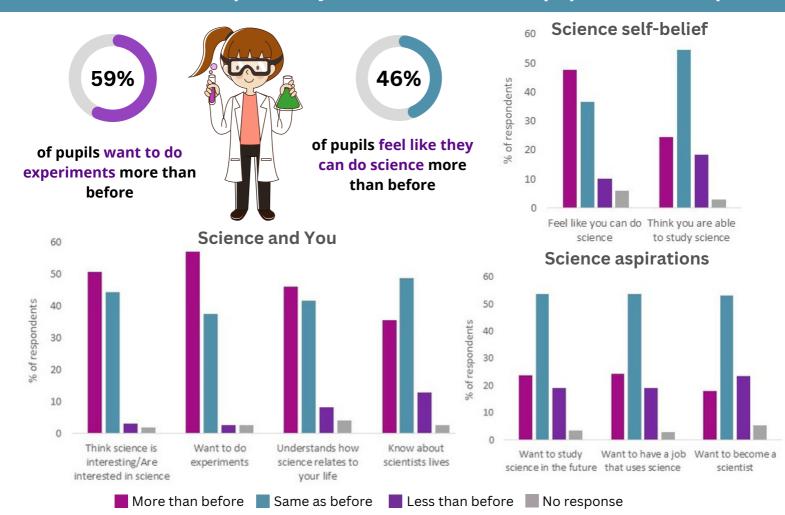
What did you like best and why?



## Young people enjoyed meeting the scientists



## Fantastic DNA in a Box positively contributes towards pupils' science capital



This section presents findings from Teachers' feedback from **all** national network visits in 2022 combined (N=40)

## Teachers agree with the session content & like the experimental set up

The session was well organized and presented The training materials enabled me to run the session effectively The balance between presentations and activities is right The session content is well adapted to the class age group I would request Fantastic DNA in a Box again I would feel confident to run the session alone Number of responses 0 10 20 30 40 Strongly agree Agree Neither Disagree Strongly disagree No response

#### **Ranking of the Top aspects of the session** (N= 39)



The opportunity for each child to do an experiment (15/39) 2<sup>nd</sup> Seeing a real scientist (in person or on Zoom) (7/39) 3rd

The introduction to new science equipment and terms (6/39) The positive experience of completing an experiment (6/39)

### Teachers' comments on perceived impact reflect authenticity of the sessions

"We really loved the live session. The children were really engaged throughout. It was very beneficial to see the scientist complete the steps before the children do it. The Q&A session was lovely also as it broke barriers around the complexity of science"

6th class teacher St Matthew's N.S., Co. Galway

"I thought it was great that a past pupil of our school carried out the experiment. This alone was important to show the children that they too can have a future in science" "It was excellent, engaging, step by step, easy to follow, students were at ease, interactive"

2nd-3rd secondary

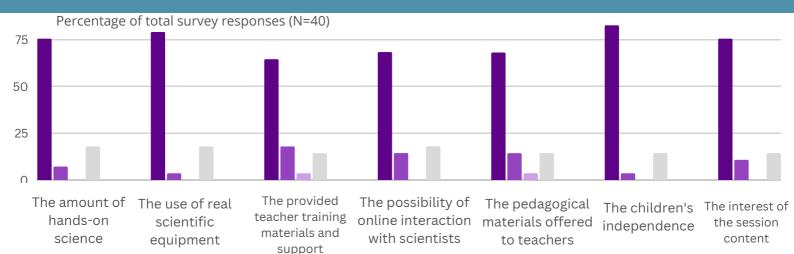
school class teacher.

Coláiste Cholmcille.

Co Galway

5th class teacher, Scoil Colmcille, Co. Donegal

## **Cell EXPLORERS performs better than other science visitors**



#### **Teachers' Comments**

"Absolutely fantastic box and perfectly resourced. Children really enjoyed using the equipment and working as scientist" "Having all of the resources and items supplied for the day was fantastic. I'd imagine these type of online experiments would be just as enjoyable across a broad range of scientific areas. We would definitely use again."

## Children's drawings of scientists



**The Scientist** 11 years old girl, 4th Class, Glinsk N.S. Kate and JanicThe Mad Scientist11 years old girl, 5th class, Glinsk N.S.10 years old girl, 4th class, Claddagh N.S.

### Some of the University of Galway explainers who delivered the session online





Paleontologist Gold/ Caleb 11 years old boy, 5th class Bawnmore N.S. **The Smart Scientist** 9 years olf girl, 4th class, Eyrecourt N.S.

**Untitled** 9 years old girl, 3rd class, Glinsk N.S.













