

Children less likely to think degree important

Young people are increasingly less likely to believe that getting a degree is important, according to a poll. It indicates that the proportion of secondary school pupils who think they need to go to university to do well in life has fallen steadily in the last six years. Despite this, the vast majority say they are likely to go into higher education when they are old enough. The findings, published by the Sutton Trust, come as sixth-formers across England, Wales and Northern Ireland receive their A-level results and learn if they have gained a university place.