Decisions the Scottish Parliament make can affect your life! Think about what you did yesterday, write it down and underline anything you think the Scottish Parliament can make decisions about. Look at this list of devolved matters to help you.

A day in the life of Holly

What did I do yesterday?
When I woke up, I had a shower and put on my school uniform.

I had breakfast with my family. I had a large bowl of cereal with milk.

Everyone got ready to leave the house. My dad works in a hotel and my mum works for the local council. My mum usually drives to work and my dad cycles to the hotel. My brother and I set off for school. The school bus was late because the roads were busy.

I met my pals in the school playground and we talked about the football match on TV last night. The bell rang and we made our way to class. The community police officer came to talk to us about road safety.
After school, I walked to my grandparents’ house. They live in sheltered housing. They had lots of news to tell me. Earlier they got the bus into the city (it’s free as they have bus passes) and booked tickets to see a new show at the theatre.

I had my favourite tea - fish and chips.

After tea, my mum came to pick me up. She had been visiting my auntie in hospital. We went home.

I never knew the Scottish Parliament could make decisions about so many things I do in my life.
Draw or write about a day in your life and underline all the Devolved Matters, like Holly has done. Use the map of Devolved Matters on the front page to help you.

Did you know?
Devolved Matters are the topic areas about which the Scottish Parliament can make decisions and laws.

Did you know?
Reserved Matters are issues that are decided at the UK Parliament, such as defence and foreign affairs.

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