

# 'How was School Today?'

## Goes Mobile

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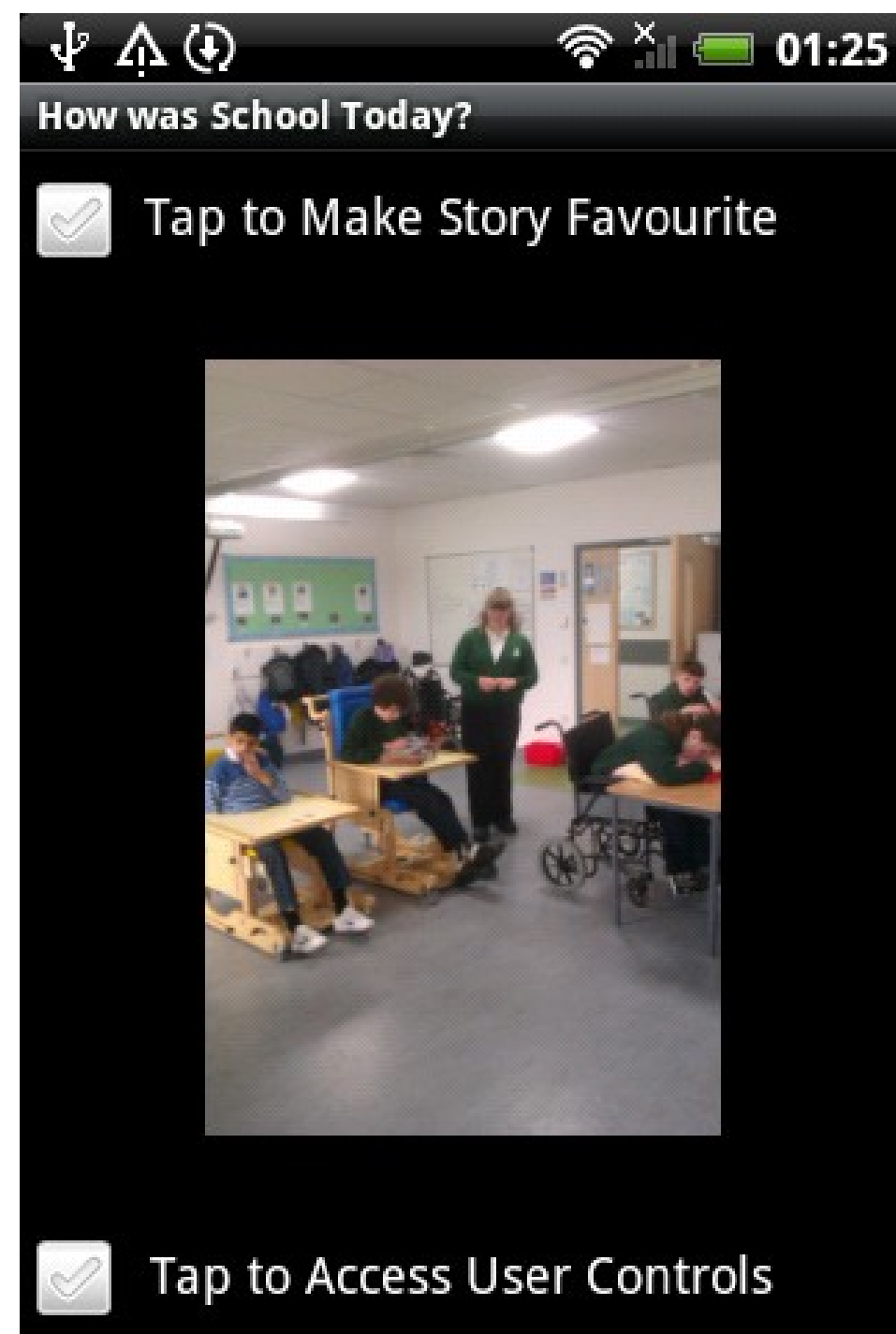
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The 'How was School Today...?' Goes Mobile project aims to provide a quick and easy method for children with complex communication issues to engage in a narrative about their day.

The project was undertaken with a user centred design philosophy in mind, focusing on designing an app that had to support two different and separate user groups; school staff and parents, and children of varying abilities.

The children using the app have little to no functional speech and physical and learning disabilities. They needed to be able to effectively communicate personal experiences.



Above: The story telling screen on the app. The main part of the app for use by children of varying abilities.

The staff using the app work in a very busy environment, requiring the interface to be fairly intuitive and make use of as much direct input as possible; buttons for navigation and control, with almost no typing required.

The nature of the mobile phone as a platform for this software allows the application to be used almost anywhere without the need for a large or bulky hardware setup.



Left: The main User Controls Page for the school staff/parent user group.

