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News 15.3.2020 19:40 | updated 15.3.2020 19:42

Helsinki won't close schools, ramps up distance learning, limits contact with risk groups

Mayor Jan Vapaavuori said there is no evidence that closing schools significantly slows the spread of the virus.





The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Yle Uutiset website. The address bar shows the URL: yle.fi/uutiset/osasto/news/finland_closes_schools_declares_state_of_emergency_over_coronavirus/11260062. The page features a pink header with a "Sign up for o" button. Below the header is a navigation bar with the Yle logo and links to Uutiset, Areena, Urheilu, and Valikko. A secondary navigation bar includes Uutiset (highlighted with a green plus icon), Urheilu, Sää (with a plus icon), and Tuoreimmat. The main content area shows the breadcrumb "UUTISET > NEWS" and the article title "Finland closes schools, declares state of emergency over coronavirus" in large, bold black text. Below the title, it says "News 16.3.2020 17:13 | updated 16.3.2020 22:10". The first line of the article text reads: "Daycare centres are to stay open but parents were asked to keep their kids home if possible."

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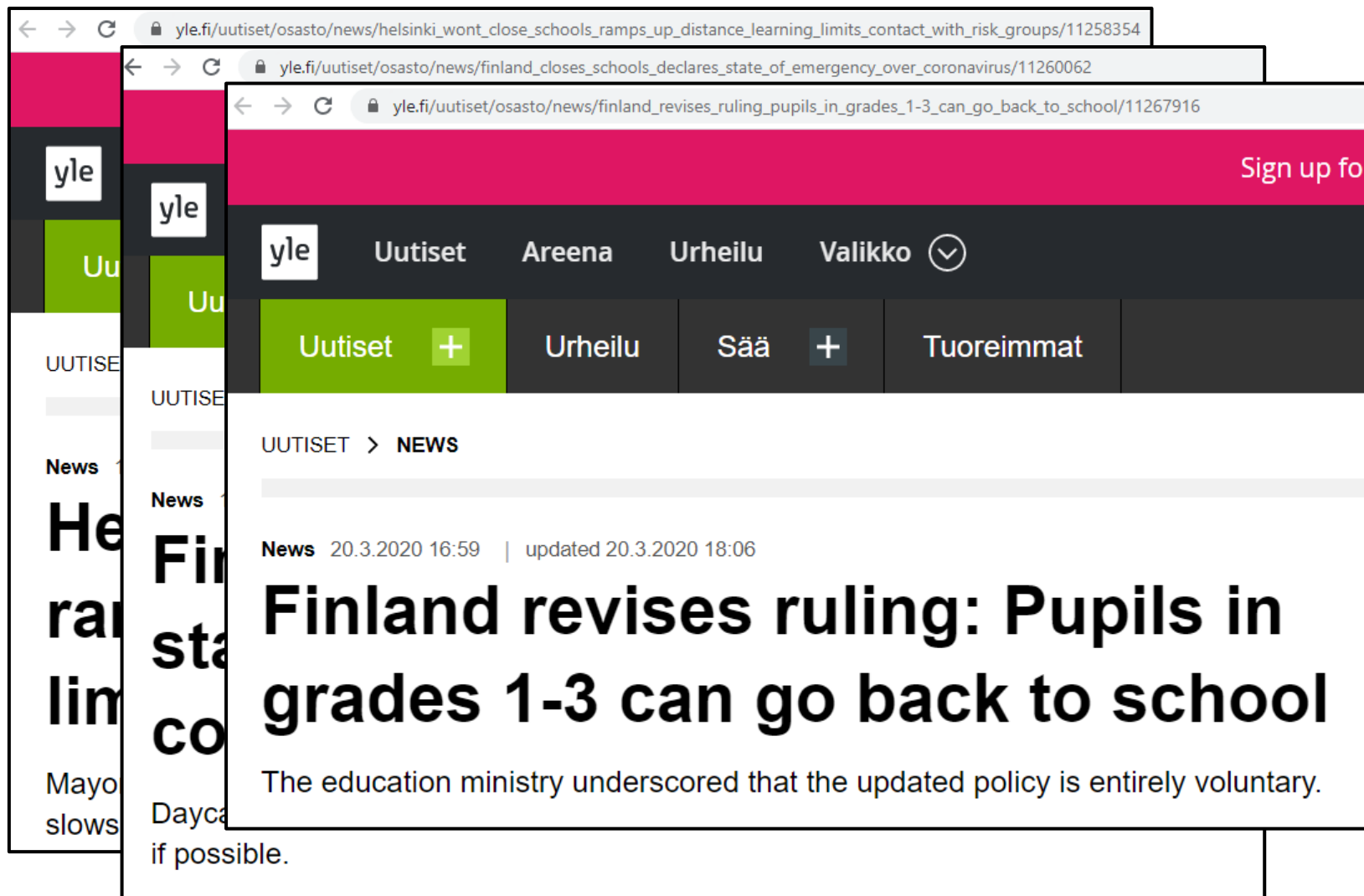
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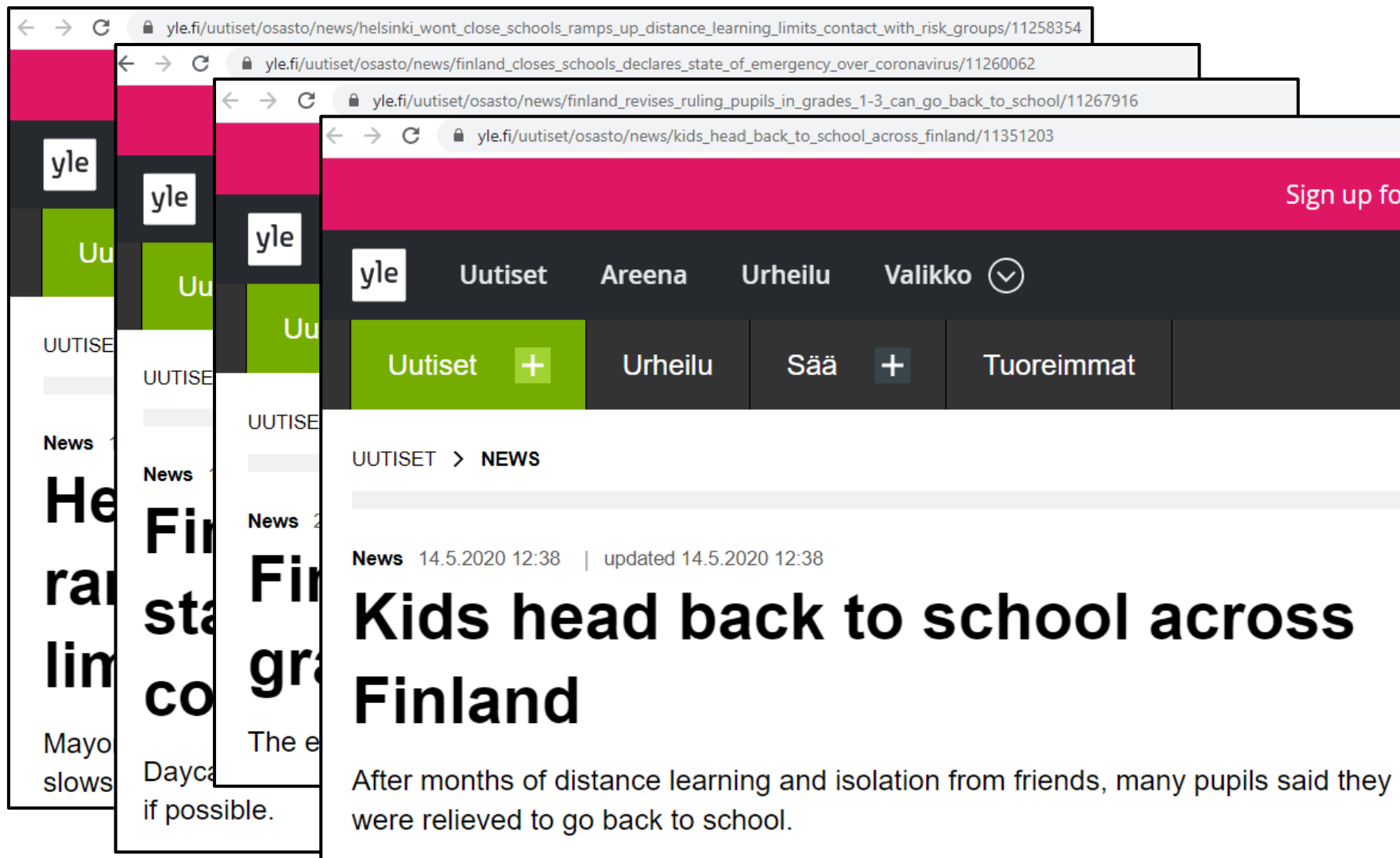




The screenshot shows the Yle Uutiset website with the following elements:

- Browser tabs:** Three tabs are visible at the top, all from yle.fi. The active tab is titled "yle.fi/uutiset/osasto/news/finland_revises_ruling_pupils_in_grades_1-3_can_go_back_to_school/11267916".
- Navigation bar:** A dark grey bar contains the Yle logo, "Uutiset", "Areena", "Urheilu", and "Valikko" with a dropdown arrow.
- Secondary navigation:** Below the main bar, there are buttons for "Uutiset" (highlighted in green with a plus icon), "Urheilu", "Sää" (with a plus icon), and "Tuoreimmat".
- Breadcrumbs:** The path "UUTISET > NEWS" is displayed.
- Article header:** The word "News" is followed by the timestamp "20.3.2020 16:59" and "updated 20.3.2020 18:06".
- Main headline:** "Finland revises ruling: Pupils in grades 1-3 can go back to school" in large, bold black font.
- Text snippet:** Below the headline, the text "The education ministry underscored that the updated policy is entirely voluntary." is visible, followed by "Dayca" and "if possible." on the next line.





The image shows a stack of four browser window screenshots from the Yle Uutiset website. The topmost window displays the article 'Kids head back to school across Finland' with a sub-headline 'After months of distance learning and isolation from friends, many pupils said they were relieved to go back to school.' The browser's address bar shows the URL 'yle.fi/uutiset/osasto/news/kids_head_back_to_school_across_finland/11351203'. The website's navigation bar includes links for 'Uutiset', 'Areena', 'Urheilu', and 'Valikko'. The article's metadata indicates it was published and updated on 14.5.2020 at 12:38.

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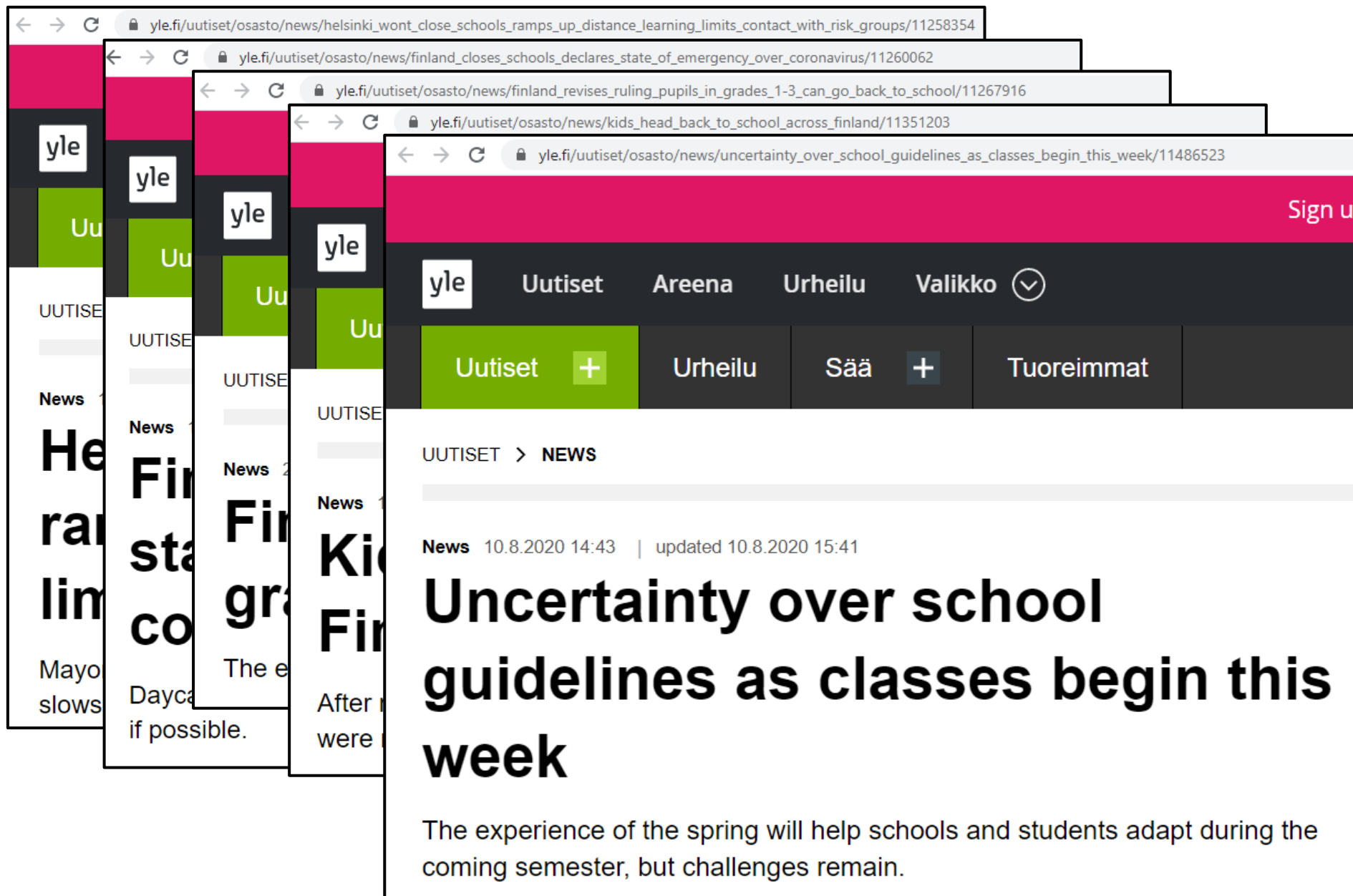
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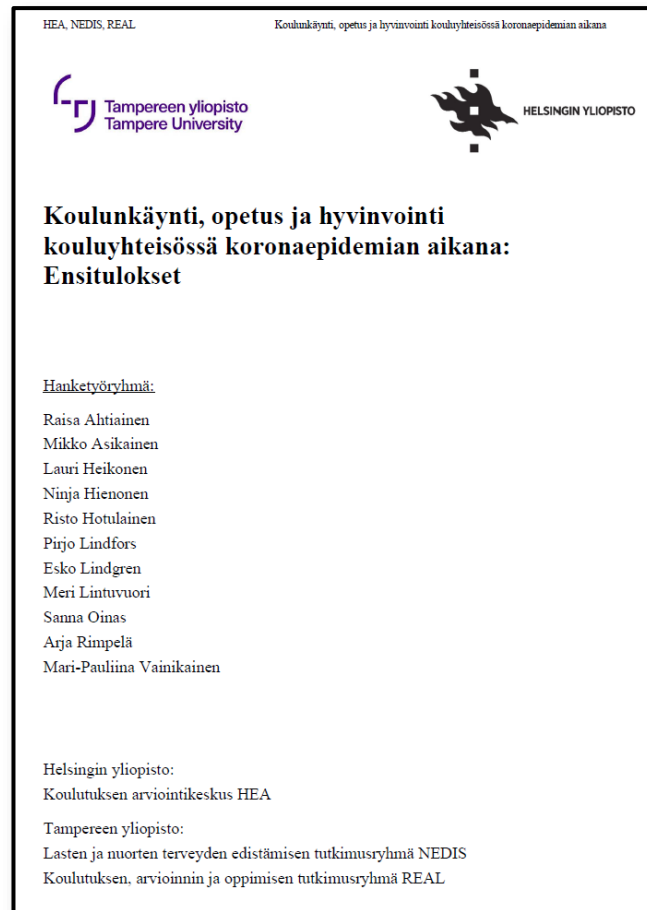
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Uncertainty over school guidelines as classes begin this week

The experience of the spring will help schools and students adapt during the coming semester, but challenges remain.



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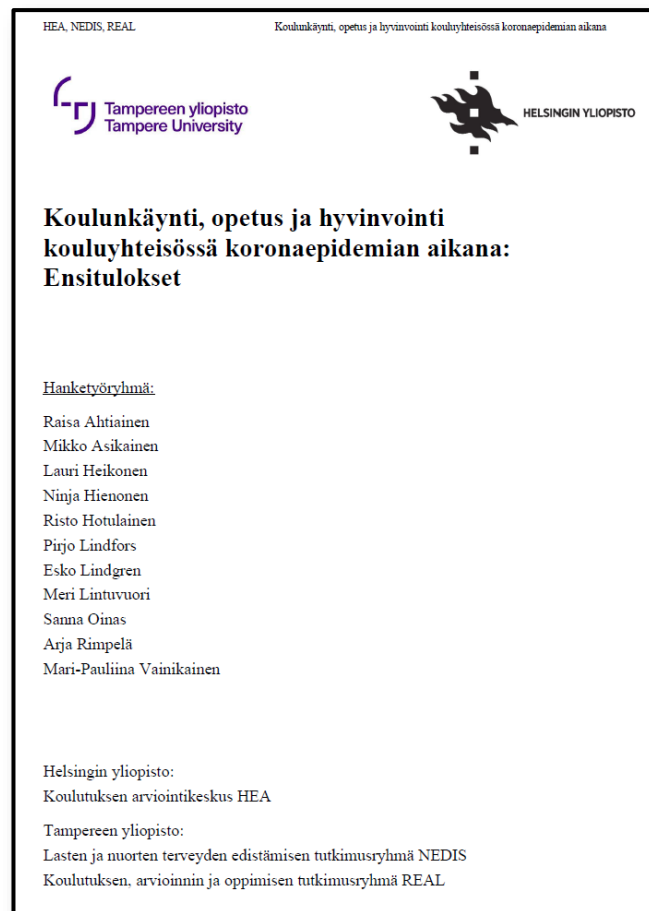
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One hundred
thousand (100 000)
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Main Findings

Considering circumstances,
things went rather well.

However, equal right to quality
education was compromised.

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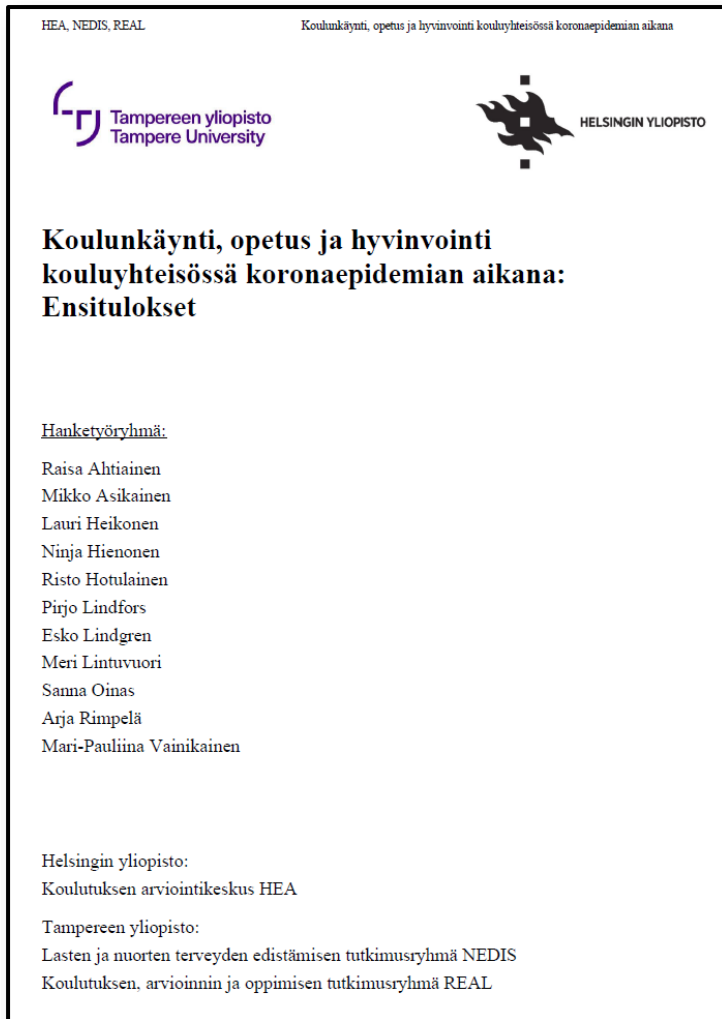
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School perspective



About 1/5 of schools instructed teachers to use less strict assessment criteria

In about 50% of schools the quality of support for students with SEN decreased

45% of schools the quality of students' computers enabled full participation in learning activities




Teacher perspective


88% reported increased workload

77% worked primarily from home

55% used their private phone for work

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90% of grade 1-6 and 85% of grade 7-9 students ate warm meal every day

58 % got normal amount of support for their studies

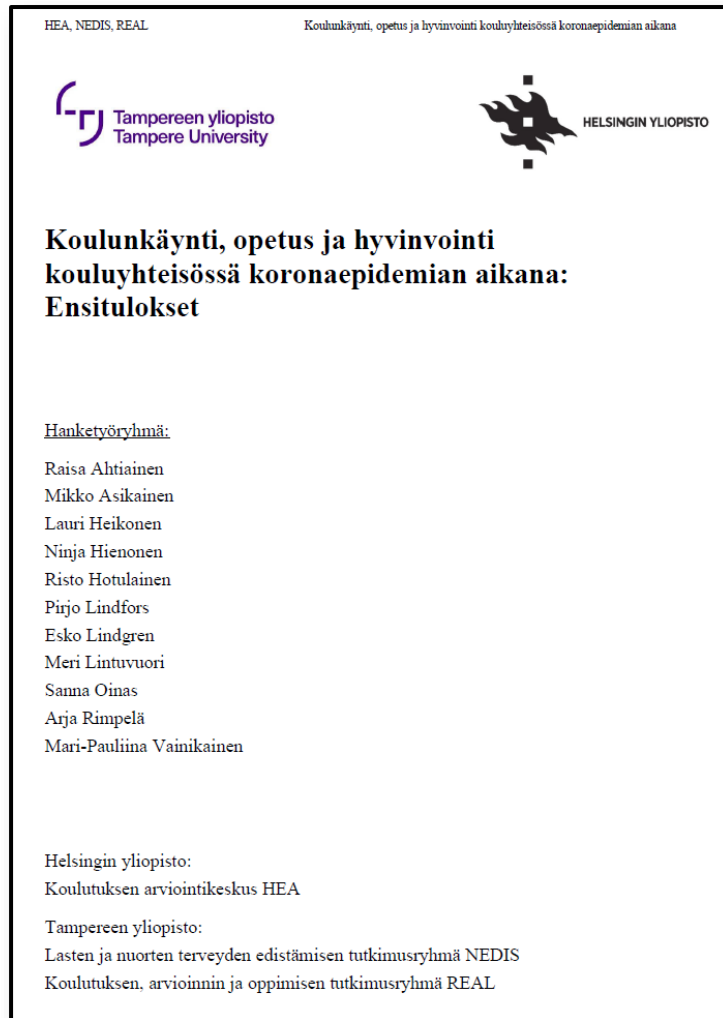
About 4/5 of grade 7–9 students received regular live instruction from their teachers



Guardian perspective

In 1/3 of families family members had to take turns in using the devices

About 50% had increased stress level due to distance school





How about our home?

Principal's office



Grade 4 classroom



Grade 5 classroom



Quiet workspace



Personal observations

- Invested own money to buy the devices
- Morning meetings gave structure to school days
- Kids wanted also pencil and paper tasks
- Distance hobbies were not the same as the “real deal”
- After initial difficulties, things were OK for us, but not for every family
- Several examples of creative online learning - <https://youtu.be/ojQ3E1qjLQg>



Thank you!

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Grazie!



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