

Children and Young People Educated at home



Ofsted is carrying out a survey looking at children and young people who are educated at home and as part of that exercise wish to consult via this questionnaire parents and carers who have elected to educate their children at home.

Your response to this questionnaire will help us form a view about parents' and carers' experiences and inform our survey.

The closing date for the consultation is 04 December 2009.

Confidentiality: The information you provide will be held by us. It will only be used for the purpose of the consultation of parents and carers views about elective home education. We will treat your identity in confidence, if you disclose it to us.

Section 1

I am a parent/carer:	Parent			Carer					
No of children responsible for:	1	2	3	4	5+				
My children/child has been educated at home for:	6mth	1yr	2yr	3yr	4yr	5yr	6yr		
They attended nursery school:	Yes			No					
They were withdrawn from primary school:	Yes			No					
They were withdrawn from secondary school:	Yes			No					
How long did they attend school:	1yr	2yr	3yr	4yr	5yr	6yr	7yr	8yr	9yr
Did you child/children have a specific learning need?	Yes			No					
Did they have a full statement of special educational needs:	Yes			No					
If yes, does your child still have a statement of special educational needs:	Yes			No					
Did they receive additional support?	Yes			No					
Could you indicate the main reason you chose to withdraw you child from school or educated them at home from the start:									

Section 2

How did you find out about elective home education?

Did the school advise elective home education as an alternative for your child?	Yes		No	
Was elective home education suggested as the alternative to permanent exclusion?	Yes		No	
Were you directed to the Local Authority about elective home education?	Yes		No	
Did the Local Authority offer advice and guidance on how to go about elective home education?	Yes		No	
Was the advice helpful?	Yes		No	
Were you made aware of how the LA would meet the needs of your child if they had an SEN statement?	Yes		No	
Did you search the LA's web site for information on elective home education?	Yes		No	
Was the information helpful?	Yes		No	
Have you through what you learnt on the internet been able to establish a support network for advice and guidance about educating your child?	Yes		No	

Section 3

How you educate at home:

Are your children taught by you or your partner?	Yes		No	
By a teacher that comes to the house?	Yes		No	
Do you share the responsibility for teaching your child with others?	Yes		No	
Does your child attend school for part of the week?	Yes		No	
If so, is this a private school?	Yes		No	
If your child has a statement of educational needs do they receive tuition from a LA outreach team.	Yes		No	

What sort of curriculum does your child follow?

Section 4

Do you have set working times?								Yes		No		
On average how many hours a day does your child study?	1		2		3		4		5		6	

What would a typical day look like?

What are your child's favourite activities?

Are they resistant to any activities?

Do you go on trips of interest?	Yes		No	
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Where have you been?

Does your child read every day?	Yes		No							
How long for?	½ hour		1 hour		2 hours		3 hours		4 hours	
Is there a set time each day when studies end?	Yes		No							

Does your child attend any of the following:			
Leisure centre		Swimming pool	
Youth club		Football/rugby/cricket training	
Martial arts		Dance	
Ballet		Tap dance	
Library			
Other			

What sorts of things do they study?			
Maths		English	
Reading		Writing	
Science		Electronics	
Cooking		Crafts	
Art		Pottery	
Other			

Do you feel you have sufficient support to deliver the curriculum you have created for your child?

When your child is 16 years old will they:			
Take GCSE exams		Attend local college	
Go to work		Continue to study at home	

Section 5

Do you feel you have enough information about post 16 options?	Yes		No	
Have you liaised with Connexions personal advisors?	Yes		No	
If yes has that been informative and helped you and your child?	Yes		No	

What additional support would help home educators? (please restrict yourself to 200 words)

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Have you allowed the local authority to visit your child at home?	Yes		No	
If so, have they done so?	Yes		No	
Have such visits been helpful in discussing issues about your child?	Yes		No	
Have you even felt such visits were intrusive?	Yes		No	