

Safeguarding good education: working with home educators and addressing unregistered schools

- Welcome and introduction/s
- Setting the scene
- Some data...

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- Communication
- Meeting with representatives from Home Education groups
- Counselling /advice always available
- Relationship with locally based EHE

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- Communication
- Improved sharing: SENAR , social workers, safeguarding teams in health, family support workers in hubs around the city, Library offer
- Co-construction of communication to EHE families
- Termly meeting with EHE professionals across central England

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- Summer school 2018: 5 days
- For parents of Primary age children
- Aim to teach parents how to teach their children, in the following areas:
 - Phonics
 - Numeracy
 - Emotional Health
 - Music.

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We are delighted to be working in partnership with Birmingham City Council to offer a series of courses to support those whom educate their 5-11 year old children at home. We have 10 two hour courses in July covering:

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Music
- Emotional health

The courses are free to attend and are designed to give you support and practical strategies, and signpost you to free and easily available resources to help you give your children the best possible home educational experience.

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- Education
- Bournville College/ Halesowen College
- Online offer:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gY8cgkfwbY&t=2s>
- Working with exam centres and tuition centres: central to the city and on the outskirts of city
- Community Hall

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- Training
- Conference
- Training for DSLs in schools

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- Schools Admissions
- First response
- SENAR letters
- And finally....

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A quote:

- “We could look, for example, at Birmingham, which is perhaps not the local authority we would immediately turn to for good practice, but in this area it is doing really well. It is concentrating on drawing home-educated children into its orbit. All the services it offers to children in school are now offered to home-educating parents. It is willing to listen and works in partnership...”

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...The result is that most of the home-educated children in Birmingham are known to the local authority and seen regularly in settings to which the authority has access. The worries that people have expressed disappear, just by the authority being helpful.”

Lord Lucas House of Lords Nov 2017

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Unregistered schools:

Amanda Spielman:

- “Thanks to information passed to us by the Council, we have uncovered 10 suspected illegal schools in Birmingham in the past 2 years. We have either closed or registered 8 of them and the other 2 are now operating legally. Without the strong and strengthening relationship we have with Birmingham City Council we couldn’t have achieved this.

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Unregistered schools:

- ...And we are continuing to work with the Council and with the government to close down illegal schools.” BEP Conference 2017