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August home education newsletter

Oops it's been a while - sorry

Oh my word what a year and we are only in August. We have been incredibly busy that our newsletter had to take a back seat. But with the school holidays being a little quieter we finally have a moment to write this.

So...what has been happening?

The CWS bill

The Children's wellbeing and schools bill is still a considerable threat to home educators and all children for that matter. Childhood specialists from all walks of life are warning about the dangers of the bill.

Luckily the house of lords are listening to you all, they are acting on the concerns and offering amendments to the bill. However we

Drowning in information?

Home Education seems to be a trend at the moment across social media, with more families sharing their journey, which is awesome, but with businesses and influencers trying to sell you things or giving out misinformation it can get confusing.

We talk about this in a lot more detail in the link below.

can not rely on what has already been done and said, we need to keep campaigning, and so do you. There's still time to write to your MP and any Lords to explain why the bill is so problematic.

As this issue is much bigger than just home education we strongly advise you and all of your friends follow this Facebook page (run by our very own Michelle) and do what you can to get involved. You'll also be able to find out details about protests and petitions. (If you don't use Facebook please keep an eye on our blog part of our website for updates).

[read more about the bill and what you can do](#)

The short version is, don't fall for the shiny promises, or something that costs money. You don't need tracking apps, or paid for packages of info, everything you need is on the Educational Freedom website for free. Plus we are long established and respected. Our motive is purely to ensure you get the support and info you need.

[Read more about how not to fall for rubbish advice.](#)

What is happening with the new generation of home educator?

There's a new generation of home educator who seem to automatically believe what the LA says to them. These families are welcoming the EHE person into their home, sharing the learning, allowing them to speak to their child, and even offering more regular visits to confirm no safeguarding concerns.

This worries us a lot. We have been around a very long time now, we have seen different generations come and go through home education. They appear not to be joining their local groups, or national groups as they do not use Facebook. This link up is absolutely vital though, especially when finding out what the LA are like and the previous harm they have done. Whilst we know much of the younger generation (eek we are getting old lol) prefer Tiktok over Facebook we urge you to have an account even if it is just to access home education information. Or at least regularly read through our site, and of course follow us on Tiktok for some of the info.

Many folks are unwittingly inviting the LA into their home, their letters make promises of a friendly chat, support, lots of information, however in 99% of LAs this is just not the case. They then fall foul of the LA unscrupulous behaviour and end up being forced to send their child to school as they did not know how to fight the LA. Some luckily find us and we are able to help. But all of this can be avoided by understanding the LA role and keeping all communication with them in writing.

We understand you may want to hear that you are doing great, and a couple of LAs will do that, but the vast majority won't. They will refuse to leave after 2 hours, they will make you or your child cry with their nasty attitude, they will confuse you about what you do and don't have to do, they will tell you what you must do for their next visit

(which is usually stuff they have no right to demand). Other home educators are the best people to ask for support or a 'yay that's great', they come with no risk.

REMEMBER you are responsible for the education, not the LA. The LA are not there to support you or help you, it's just not their job. And their job is absolutely not to check for safeguarding concerns. In fact a large proportion of false claims to children's services comes from the EHE team.

Why invite them in when it's not their job and a lot of harm can come from a visit? If you've read through our website, including the blog section and still not sure why we suggest keeping things in writing then do hit reply to this email and one of the team will help answer any questions you have.



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And finally, do you have something to say? Do you want to share your home ed journey with others?

We are looking to add to our already existing admin team on our Facebook group, new contributors for our public FB page, Instagram, Bluesky and Tiktok, and content creation for our website and newsletters. If you're interested please get in touch.

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