

# Elective Home Education (EHE)

## Important information for schools & professionals



**The following information is provided to help schools and professionals ensure that any parent or carer considering EHE can make well-informed decisions about the right education for their child.**

- Home education should not be offered as an alternative to school. If a parent is encouraged to home educate, this is seen as 'off-rolling'. A parent or carer should come to this decision of their own accord and after researching what home education would mean for them and their child.
- EHE can be costly and requires a lot of time and commitment from parent and child.
- We recommend highlighting to families that there is no funding available from the Local Authority to support home education.
- It is important to share relevant information with agencies working with the child or family to ensure the right support can be offered .
- Schools are encouraged to have Exit Discussions and to keep an open dialogue and ensure parents are making an informed decision about EHE.
- For any safeguarding concerns, please contact Warwickshire Front Door in the first instance for further advice.
- The home education team will always attempt to engage with home educated families from the outset, normally in writing.

For support from the Elective Home Education Team, call **01926 736323** or email **[ehe@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:ehe@warwickshire.gov.uk)**



- When a child is attending a mainstream school and has an EHCP, we encourage schools to also contact the Plan Co-ordinator when a family decides to home educate.
- There is a duty on schools to notify the Local Authority when a child is removed for elective home education.
- We recommend signposting parents to the Warwickshire Home Education website as well as [www.educationotherwise.org/](http://www.educationotherwise.org/) if they are considering elective home education for their child.

Please contact the Elective Home Education Team for further advice if needed.

Call **01926 736323** or email [ehe@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:ehe@warwickshire.gov.uk) and please encourage families to contact us to discuss home education or refer to the webpage [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homeeducation](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homeeducation)

