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Children, Young People and Education Committee

Ymchwiliad i effaith argyfwng Covid-19  
ar blant a phobl ifanc yng Nghymru

Inquiry into the impact of the Covid-19 outbreak on  
children and young people in Wales

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I am submitting my thoughts to the consultation regarding the pandemic and the effect on children.

I am a Primary School teacher and mother to three boys in years 10, 8 and 6. My youngest has learning difficulties and is in an STF.

My main concern is for my youngest son who is not now able to follow any sort of educational curriculum as he sees home as home and school as school and so has difficulty realising that tasks should be completed in order to further himself. However, I can get him to engage in some activities that he doesn't see as education but I know these are of benefit to him. School has been very supportive. I am hopeful that he will return as soon as possible to his STF. I am also very concerned about his transition. He has never visited the comprehensive unit he's going to and knows no one else there. In addition to this he's moving from an English medium school back to a Welsh medium school after 4 years and I anticipate this will be extremely hard for him. I know that staff will support him but it's a very worrying time.

As a teacher supporting key workers through providing provision for their children, i would like further advice on how best to keep myself safe. There appears very little guidance and information on how to do this in schools when we are working with 3 year olds, some of whom may not be able to make themselves understood and may not be fully toilet trained.