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

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Ymateb gan: Unigolyn

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Children, Young People and Education Committee

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

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Response from: Individual

I am 42 year old mum of two children aged 11 and 9, we have been homeschooling with work set on googleclassrom for the 11 year old and see saw for the 9 year old. This is work that is set to a deadline that we complete at our pace, /own time. We do get feedback and assistance where needed and has been an OK temporary measure, however I am not a teacher and cannot teach, only advise and Google things, we have had arguments, tears, frustration, laughter smiles and I have even learnt new things too, we have maintained a good routine of exercise, but this is no where near the level of education and physical activity and social interaction these two children are used to and need. For the own mental health and and social skills they need to be back in normal education, lack of social interaction with friends is a big part of this, they have only had adult company, as social bubbles are now allowed, this will mean a support network, but with more adults, no other children, as to assist with childcare to enable a return to some sort of work. If we are not careful the children even with as much love, care and the desire to keep them safe and protected, are going to be irreparably affected by the exclusion and isolation from peers and normality, especially when evidence says they are the least likely to be affected by covid 19 and the least likely to spread covid 19.