

Home Learning, Parents Survey Results – July 2020

Number of parental responses received: 14

1. Which year groups do you currently have a child in?

● Nursery	2
● Reception	2
● Year 1	6
● Year 2	6



2. How well supported by the school have you felt since March?

● Extremely well	13
● Somewhat well	1
● Neutral	0
● Not at all	0
● Other	0



3. How well have we kept you updated since March?

● Very well	13
● Well	1
● Not very well	0
● Other	0



4. How accessible have you found the home learning?

● Very accessible	12
● Reasonably accessible	2
● Not accessible	0
● Other	0



5. What has worked well for you in terms of home learning?

- All the staff have remained very supportive throughout the period and have always been on hand to answer any questions.
- Videos from staff.
- Lots of different activities. Great videos from the teachers making it feel like being at school.
- We have enjoyed receiving the work via email because it has enabled us to do the work at a time that works around our family.
- Lots of activities. Wide range of worksheets and videos. Great videos done by the teachers making it seem like being at school – keeping the connection.
- Interactive learning – where videos can be watched and activities completed online.
- The amount of work was appropriate. The online games / activities were well received and are still being used now.
- Having the email each day was great. Listing it in subject order with attachments worked well. Also the personal contact with home learning videos were great as my child really missed her teacher.
- Honestly not much at all as we have both had to continue demanding full time jobs at home at the same time. Not your fault of course but it meant we could not do most of the school work sent home even though we really wanted to.
- The video explanations / lesson were good when I ran out of ways to explain things.
- For us the detailed emails (a timetable) as such of daily activities has broken down something scary into something manageable with chunks on a daily basis. It has worked really well for us and our circumstances. The videos have been invaluable, for us as much as the children, making them still feel part of the class. In addition the help and advice over emails at all hours has been above and beyond what was expected and very much appreciated.
- When the internet worked the online games were fab.
- Daily emails that were clear and concise. Videos explaining the 'how to' element of the work.
- A daily plan to work with. Links to learning on BBC Bitesize / games etc. Loved the videos, handwriting etc. Fantastic feedback and praise from teachers when sending work in from home. Liked Friday lessons towards the end as more fun and a bit more relaxed with games etc. It took us a full school day to get through the work as more than one child so a lot of concentration needed.

6. What has not worked well for you in terms of home learning?

- It has been difficult to work through the volume of work due to work commitments at home although we appreciate all children are required to learn all elements of the curriculum. To make it work for us we prioritised the tasks which we thought were beneficial for our child.
- Nothing linked to the work provided by the school. Just the nature of home schooling as a whole meant that my child was less keen to work than at school!
- Keeping pace with the daily emails. Falling behind and then forgetting what has been done.
- N/A
- Too many emails.
- The amount of printing required. I know most could be viewed on screen but having a sheet in front of her helped her to concentrate and practised more writing.
- I found the emails non-user friendly with it containing both year 1 and year 2. It took time to trawl through what was for year 2. Perhaps it would have been easier if it were a separate email for each year group.

- Hard to print out learning due to printer issues. But most of the printouts could be replicated in the exercise book or on paper as described by the teacher. Also the enthusiasm for home learning wore off for my daughter and she refused a few times which I know she would not do if her teacher asked her to do something.
- Having to still do demanding full time jobs at the same time.
- Some activities were a bit more difficult if you did not own a printer.
- No complaints at all.
- Online things were a bit hit and miss when experiencing internet issues.
- Juggling our own work and children's work – but school has done everything possible to make this as smooth as possible – thank you.
- Sometimes unsure which maths methods to use. Videos for these would be good to explain to parents who probably learnt differently. Worried was complicating or teaching it incorrectly sometimes. A live zoom link to a class would have been great for some subjects perhaps. Make children feel more connected when only key workers were there. Just nice for children to see teachers who have that authority and can motivate them.

7. Would you consider that the amount of home learning sent home was ...

● Just the right amount	11
● There was too much	2
● There was not enough	0
● Other	1



Other – days he was engaged and keen not enough. Other days we stored it up for one big day of homeschooling.

8. In the case of a further lockdown, if we were to arrange short 'live' lessons where the children were expected to be on screen at a certain time of the day, what would your opinion be about this?

● I would like this	9
● I would not like this	0
● I don't have the technology fo...	0
● I'd prefer you used a video op...	4
● Other	1



Other – I think it would be good but would need to be tried and tested.

9. Did you access any of the worksheets in the home learning packs sent home prior to lockdown?

● Yes - all of them	3
● Yes - some of them	9
● None at all	0
● Other	2



Other – Only a few, we had other resources at home that we used e.g. CGP and Power Maths books. – Most of them.

10. Did you access and use any of the resources sent home in the learning packs e.g. number lines, counters, hundred squares etc.

● Yes	10
● Some	4
● No	0
● Other	0



11. Is there anything we did really well in terms of home learning, updates or support?

- All staff have provided fabulous support and guidance.
- Giving specific lessons for the day, keeping structures the same as school.
- Lots to do and great videos from the teachers.
- I didn't feel alone in home schooling my child as we had all the teachers contact details provided and I knew that they were there to support us. Thank you.
- Keeping in contact. Keeping a routine.
- I thought all was great.
- Letters of updates were appreciated.
- Everything was done at a high level. Easy to understand. Always answered emails. Links/resources to access for independent learning in addition to the learning sent home.
- Giving all options. Even though we physically and mentally couldn't cope with much alongside our own jobs the options were there and we could select what we considered the most important learning.
- The accessibility and support of the staff was exceptional.
- Answered above.
- Loved knowing you were at the end of an email or phone call.
- Clear instructions.

- Always responded to emails. Was great to have a direct email rather than having to go through the school office. Felt connected. Liked that great job and firework claps were still given out.

12. Is there anything we could improve on in terms of home learning, updates and support?

- Perhaps emailing the learning for the following day sooner as we found it tricky to plan ahead for the next day especially when we were working. Sometimes we stayed up late so we could plan for the next morning.
- N/A
- Nothing
- ___ really enjoyed the videos sent home from the teachers. I think it helped him to keep a handle on reality and to realise that the teachers were still there for their pupils.
- Combine emails.
- Online sessions. I really struggled keeping her interested and enthusiastic to work.
- Definitely separate emails for each year group for year 1 and 2.
- Live lessons would be fab. Also even more videos for explanation and contact for the child to still see their teacher.
- Seeing / hearing about the amazing work other children have done at home sometimes made us feel inadequate as we both have to work all day we can't keep up.
- Some sort of guidance as to the normal expected level of attainment for your specific child would be helpful. Especially when your child tries to persuade you that they normally do all the mild options (and they don't!).
- Not at all.
- Be good to know what they're expected to be achieving, what progress to expect.
- No.
- More videos. Seeing school and teachers. More fun stuff e.g. Bitesize etc.

13. If there was a need to return to remote education, which option would you prefer?

1. Daily emails sent home with parents returning an email with a picture of the children's work uploaded for the teacher to comment on.
2. A program used where you can login and download / view the work then upload the work for the teacher to comment on.
3. Any of the above with the addition of live lessons.

● Daily emails sent home with p...	5
● A program used where you ca...	7
● Any of the above, with the ad...	5
● Other	1



Other – A program used, plus live lessons.

14. Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

- Thank you for your hard work, professionalism and support throughout this whole period. We have always felt very confident in the school's ability to make the best of this difficult situation and we feel you have managed it incredibly well. Your communication throughout has been fantastic.
- Thank you for all the support you have given us and for all the hard work you've put in at a very challenging time. I've even learnt a thing or two!
- N/A
- Thank you to all the staff at LHA for all your hard work over lockdown, making this time of learning fun and varied.
- Thank you for all your support and understanding.
- Live lessons would not work for us as we are both working full time at home and it would clash with our own work meetings and calls. The young age of the children mean it is not possible for them to do this independently, my child does not have their own computer either. It would be great if we can watch and do the lessons as and when we can fit it in. Overall you have done a great job in very difficult circumstances, thank you.
- Thank you for all your hard work and for going above and beyond to support our child.
- Thank you for all you have done.
- Thank you for being wonderful and you!
- Thank you.
- Having had experience of Seesaw with _____ this worked really well. White rose maths was great and the blogs for children to upload little videos and things they'd done maybe at the weekend or fun stuff was good for them to stay in touch with friends. I think this kept them feeling in touch and picked them up when feeling a bit sad.