



## **EPA: A Statement on Flexi-Schooling**

Since the pandemic, a small number of parents and carers have asked Trust Schools about 'Flexi-Schooling'. This is when a parent or carer wants to educate a child partly at school and partly at home/elsewhere.

Parents or carers are responsible for ensuring their child receives full-time education at statutory school age.

Flexi-Schooling must not be confused with elective home education (EHE). Parents and carers have a legal right to choose to EHE, but they do not have a legal right to insist on a Flexi-Schooling arrangement. The discretion to allow any alternative approach or any transitional arrangements rests with the Headteacher.

EPA Trust considers that a school is best placed to deliver the complex demands of the National Curriculum and regards the social aspect of school as being important to help a child develop the social skills and resilience to lead a fulfilling life as an adult.

Therefore, our Trust will not support requests for Flexi-Schooling arrangements.

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