



# **Blaenau Gwent Elective Home Education Information**

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# Introduction

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Home Education, home schooling or electively home educating are all terms that mean a family has elected to educate their child outside of the school system and without their local authority making provision for their child.

**Home education is a term used to describe when parents/carers educate their children at home instead of sending them to school. In Wales, as with the rest of the UK, education is compulsory but school is not.**

However:

*Section 437(1) Education Act 1996 states that: If it appears to a local education authority that a child of compulsory school age in their area is not receiving suitable education, either by regular attendance at school or otherwise, they shall serve a notice in writing on the parent requiring him to satisfy them within the period specified in the notice 7 that the child is receiving such education. This means if the local authority continues to have concerns, and therefore considers it necessary that the child should attend school, it must serve a School Attendance Order (SAO) on the parent/carer.*



## Frequently asked questions

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### Is it legal?

Yes. Home-Education is legal in all parts of the UK. You do not need to be a teacher or have any other special qualifications.

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### How do I start?

If your child is pre-school age and has never been to school, there is no action for you to take prior to starting home education – though it would help us if you did inform us that you are intending to educate your child, together with your details. If your child is in school you must formally de-register by writing to the head teacher and say that you intend to teach your child at home.

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### What happens when I withdraw my child from school?

The LA will write to you to request evidence of the education you are providing for your child. You can be offered an informal visit by the Elective Home Education Adviser or if you would like to provide evidence in some other form than by a home visit then you are able to do so at this time. If you refuse to respond to their informal questions LAs are permitted under case law to assume that you are failing to provide any education and ultimately issue a School Attendance Order (which will force you to return your child to school). You may challenge the Order in court by providing evidence that proper educational provision is being made.

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### Can I home educate a child with a Special Needs Statement?

Yes. There is no law prohibiting the home education of statemented children provided they are not attending a special school, in which case you will need the consent of the LA. However, you need to be able to show that you can provide for these special needs should the LA enquire.

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### What if my child is in a special school?

If your child has special needs and attends a special school, you do need permission from the local education authority to de-register and ensure you can otherwise cater for his or her special needs.

If your child is the subject of a statement of special educational needs, you should contact **Gill Smith, ALN Manager, Anvil Court, Abertillery, NP13 1DB.**

## Frequently asked questions (continued)

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### How does compulsory school age affect home educators?

As a parent, you must provide an education for your child during “compulsory school age” (age 5 to 16). The law says that this can be at home. The statutory school leaving age is the last Friday in June in the school year in which a pupil reaches age 16 (Year 11).

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### What is the parent’s actual duty?

The Education Act 1996 says that it is the parents’ duty: To cause (the child) to receive efficient full time education suitable to his / her age, ability and aptitude and to any special educational needs he / she may have either by regular attendance at school or “otherwise”.

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### Will I be checked or monitored in any way?

The LA has a statutory duty to ensure that you are providing efficient and suitable education for your child.

However, Blaenau Gwent Council believes that positive relationships and mutual respect between the LA and parents are the best way of ensuring that the best interests of the child are safeguarded. As such, you will be offered regular visits, which are intended to be supportive in nature. You will also be given the opportunity to submit evidence, in some other form, that you are providing an education suitable to your child’s ‘age, ability and aptitude’, and to any special educational needs he or she may have.

The Local Authority will not tell you how to educate your child. It is your responsibility to plan and carry out your child’s educational experience.

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### Do I have to teach the National Curriculum?

The National Curriculum only applies to state schools. As a home educator it is up to you and your child what, how and when you study.

There is no one form of education; children learn in many ways, at different rates and from a range of people. Education does not always have to follow a set pattern of “lessons” or even a timetable. However, it is good to identify your long term plans and the ways in which you intend to achieve them.

### What is ‘efficient’ and ‘suitable’ education?

Education can be said to be “efficient” if it achieves what it sets out to achieve and “suitable” if it prepares a child for taking his / her place in society and also that opportunities provided enable them to achieve their full potential.

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### What is ‘full-time’ education?

The length of time is not specified but “full-time” education in school means that children spend between 23 and 25 hours on work each week, according to age. Children attending LA schools do so for 38 weeks a year.

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### What would be seen as a good curriculum?

**Broad:** It should introduce the pupils to a wide range of knowledge, understanding and skills.

**Balanced:** Each part should be allotted sufficient time to make its special contribution but not such that it pushes out other essential parts of the learning.

**Relevant:** Subjects should be taught so as to bring out their application to the pupil’s own experience and to adult life and to give due emphasis to practical aspects.

**Differentiated:** What is taught, and how it is taught needs to be matched to the child’s abilities and aptitude. It should also be sufficiently challenging so that a child can show that some progress is being made.

A good curriculum also includes other aspects at an appropriate level such as personal and social education, health education, outdoor and environmental education, citizenship, careers education, food technology and information and communication technology (ICT). Opportunities to mix and relate with other children and adults are considered to be important to a child’s personal and social development.

Blaenau Gwent CBC encourages a range of teaching and learning methods, but these can be adapted to suit the individual needs of your child. These might include a variety of independent and group learning styles such as:

- > Active learning
- > Collaborative work in groups
- > Problem solving and decision making skills
- > Teamwork skills

## Further Information

The National Curriculum, tests and assessment arrangements:

In Wales, information is available on the Welsh Government website at: <http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/educationandskills/?lang=en> and <http://gov.wales/topics/educationandskills/schoolshome/curriculuminwales/arevisedcurriculumforwales/?lang=en>

Information on primary and secondary curriculum and assessment is available. You may also be interested in looking at GCSE information at: <http://qualificationswales.org/qualifications/gcses/?lang=en> or <http://www.wjec.co.uk/>

The Careers Wales Service is for all children and young people aged 13-19 living in Wales, and its services and responsibilities cover children and young people who are being educated at home. Information is available on their website at [www.careerswales.com/](http://www.careerswales.com/)

Parents with younger children may also find it helpful to access a website about "Digger and the Gang": <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/digger/>

This website is for 5 – 11 year olds and aims to help children find out more about the ideas behind the National Curriculum, and how different parts of the National Curriculum work together to fit into the greater scheme of things.

Parents can also find other links on the BBC websites the addresses are [www.bbc.co.uk/learning/index.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/index.shtml) and [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/index.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/index.shtml)

### Independent organisations that deal with issues surrounding Home Education

**Education Otherwise** is a UK-based membership organisation which provides support and information for families whose children are being educated outside school, and for those who wish to uphold the freedom of families to take proper responsibility for the education of their children. **Contact:** Education Otherwise, PO Box 325, Kings Lynn, PE34 3XW. **Website:** [www.educationotherwise.net](http://www.educationotherwise.net)

There is a membership fee per year. It includes a quarterly newsletter with details of resources, get-togethers, updates on the legal and political situation and personal stories as well as the Education Otherwise Handbook.

Home Education Advisory Service is a national home education charity based in the United Kingdom. It is dedicated to the provision of advice and practical support for families who wish to educate their children at home in preference to sending them to school. Interest in home education is increasing and HEAS recognises that reliable information should be available for everyone. **Contact:** Home Education Advisory Service, PO Box 98, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL8 6AN Tel: 01707 371854 **Website:** [www.heas.org.uk](http://www.heas.org.uk)

Support for children with special educational needs <http://www.he-special.org.uk/index.php>

## Reading List: suggestions from Home Educators

**Free Range Education: How Home Education Works**

**Author:** Terri Dowty | **Published by:** Hawthorn Press

**Educating Children at Home**

**Author:** Alan Thomas | **Published by:** Continuum International Publishing

**Home Learning Year by Year: How to Design a Home school Curriculum from Preschool through High School**

**Author:** Rebecca Rupp

**Teach Your Own – The John Holt Book of Home Schooling**

**Author:** John Holt and Pat Farenga | **Published by:** Perseus Books

**Doing it their way – Home Based Education and Autonomous Learning**

**Author:** Jan Fortune-Wood | **Published by:** Educational Heretics Press

**One-to-One: A Practical Guide to Learning at Home (Age 0 – 11)**

**Author:** Gareth Lewis (and family) | **Published by:** Nezert Books

**Unqualified Education: A Practical Guide to Learning at Home (Age 11 – 18)**

**Author:** Gareth Lewis (and family) | **Published by:** Nezert Books

**Learning all the Time**

**Author:** John Holt | **Published by:** Perseus Publishing



## Learning Resources

The way that children learn is changing and the Internet provides a wealth of resources. This new kind of learning platform is ideally suited for the task of learning at home. There are literally hundreds of resources available to help a child learn, including 'YouTube' and Ted talks' and many of these are free.

Education Otherwise resources list for home educating parents.

Please note, that this list comprises all resources which home educating families have recommended to us and unless otherwise stated, Education Otherwise makes no recommendation as to their standard. Links current at 10th March 2020.

Subject	Cost?
<b>MATHS</b>	
Maths Factor <a href="https://www.themathsfactor.com/">https://www.themathsfactor.com/</a>	
Absolute Maths <a href="http://home.absolutemathscourses.co.uk/">http://home.absolutemathscourses.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Beast Academy <a href="https://beastacademy.com/">https://beastacademy.com/</a>	Yes
Corbett Maths <a href="https://corbettmaths.com/">https://corbettmaths.com/</a>	Free
Mathletics <a href="https://www.mathletics.com/uk/for-home/?gclid=Cj0K-CQiA4sjyBRC5ARIsAEHsELGGregShqYiC_B_gkleSXI6L5P5kuoydZ-0BRxXjHxYQZ6UYszUIMj0aAmleEALw_wcB">https://www.mathletics.com/uk/for-home/?gclid=Cj0K-CQiA4sjyBRC5ARIsAEHsELGGregShqYiC_B_gkleSXI6L5P5kuoydZ-0BRxXjHxYQZ6UYszUIMj0aAmleEALw_wcB</a>	Yes
Mathseeds <a href="https://www.3plearning.com/mathseeds/">https://www.3plearning.com/mathseeds/</a>	Yes
Conquer Maths <a href="https://www.conquermaths.com/">https://www.conquermaths.com/</a>	Yes
Maths Whizz <a href="https://www.whizz.com/">https://www.whizz.com/</a>	Yes
Mathswatch <a href="https://mathswatch.co.uk/">https://mathswatch.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Mathsframe <a href="https://mathsframe.co.uk/">https://mathsframe.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Life of Fred <a href="https://www.lifeoffred.uniquemath.com/">https://www.lifeoffred.uniquemath.com/</a>	Yes
Maths: no problem! <a href="https://mathsnoproblem.com/">https://mathsnoproblem.com/</a>	Yes
Doodle maths <a href="https://www.doodlemaths.com/">https://www.doodlemaths.com/</a>	Yes
Number Shark <a href="https://www.wordshark.co.uk/numbershark/">https://www.wordshark.co.uk/numbershark/</a>	Yes
Number Stacks <a href="https://www.numberstacks.co.uk/">https://www.numberstacks.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Prodigy Maths <a href="https://www.prodigygame.com/referral.php?referralCode=01F631F5997D&amp;referralName=Caroline%2BMukisa&amp;referralOrigin=link">https://www.prodigygame.com/referral.php?referralCode=01F631F5997D&amp;referralName=Caroline%2BMukisa&amp;referralOrigin=link</a>	Free

Subject	Cost?
<b>MATHS</b>	
Maths genie <a href="https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/">https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/</a>	Free
CIMT <a href="https://www.cimt.org.uk/projects/mep/index.htm?fbclid=I-wAR0YKMpm0gcSD1EuzVC16DXIGNItBjfrDHCNxTw6lIdMg-ZpZxgdzitdbbwo">https://www.cimt.org.uk/projects/mep/index.htm?fbclid=I-wAR0YKMpm0gcSD1EuzVC16DXIGNItBjfrDHCNxTw6lIdMg-ZpZxgdzitdbbwo</a>	Free
Geometry Junkyard <a href="https://www.ics.uci.edu/~eppstein/junkyard/">https://www.ics.uci.edu/~eppstein/junkyard/</a>	Free
Count On <a href="http://www.counton.org/">http://www.counton.org/</a>	Free



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<b>ENGLISH</b>	
British Council, Learn English <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/</a>	Yes
Word Shark <a href="https://www.wordshark.co.uk/">https://www.wordshark.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Letter Join <a href="https://www.letterjoin.co.uk/">https://www.letterjoin.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Literacy Planet <a href="https://www.literacyplanet.com/uk/">https://www.literacyplanet.com/uk/</a>	Yes
Scribeasy <a href="https://www.scribeasy.com/">https://www.scribeasy.com/</a>	Yes
Reading eggs <a href="https://readingeggs.co.uk/">https://readingeggs.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Dyslexia Gold <a href="https://dyslexiagold.co.uk/">https://dyslexiagold.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Spellodrome <a href="https://uk.spellodrome.com/#/home">https://uk.spellodrome.com/#/home</a>	Yes
Wildkrats <a href="https://dm-ed.com/?fbclid=IwAR02wK9_hgMPpijxW-IO9dlkKJotTHw-5NUoCuSQoXUeDbIMTP5o9hB-_hP0">https://dm-ed.com/?fbclid=IwAR02wK9_hgMPpijxW-IO9dlkKJotTHw-5NUoCuSQoXUeDbIMTP5o9hB-_hP0</a>	Yes
Skoolbo <a href="https://skoolbo.com/">https://skoolbo.com/</a>	Yes
Nessy <a href="https://www.nessy.com/uk/">https://www.nessy.com/uk/</a>	Yes
Catherine Mooney <a href="https://www.catherinemoooneytutoring.co.uk/">https://www.catherinemoooneytutoring.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Wild Literacy <a href="https://wildliteracy.com/">https://wildliteracy.com/</a>	Yes
Toe by Toe <a href="https://toe-by-toe.co.uk/">https://toe-by-toe.co.uk/</a>	Yes
English for Everyone <a href="https://www.englishforeveryone.org/">https://www.englishforeveryone.org/</a>	Free
Teach your monster to read <a href="https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/">https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/</a>	Free
Story Bots <a href="https://www.storybots.com/">https://www.storybots.com/</a>	Free

Subject	Cost?
<b>IT</b>	
Conquer computing <a href="https://www.conquercomputing.com/">https://www.conquercomputing.com/</a>	Yes
Code Combat <a href="https://codecombat.com/">https://codecombat.com/</a>	Yes
Little Miss Inventors Code Garden <a href="https://abcya.io/little-miss-inventor-code-garden">https://abcya.io/little-miss-inventor-code-garden</a>	Free
Code Academy <a href="https://www.codecademy.com/">https://www.codecademy.com/</a>	Free
Fluxtime <a href="https://www.fluxtime.com/about.php">https://www.fluxtime.com/about.php</a>	Yes
Alice (coding) <a href="https://www.alice.org/about/">https://www.alice.org/about/</a>	Free
Cyber Discovery <a href="https://joincyberdiscovery.com/">https://joincyberdiscovery.com/</a>	Free
Scratch <a href="https://scratch.mit.edu/">https://scratch.mit.edu/</a>	Free

Subject	Cost?
<b>SCIENCE</b>	
GameEdAcademy <a href="https://www.gamedacademy.com/">https://www.gamedacademy.com/</a>	Yes
Mel Science <a href="https://melscience.com/US-en/">https://melscience.com/US-en/</a> (kits by post)	Yes
NASA <a href="https://www.nasa.gov/">https://www.nasa.gov/</a>	Free
Curiosity Box <a href="https://www.curiositybox.com/">https://www.curiositybox.com/</a> (kits by post)	Yes

Subject	Cost?
<b>GEOGRAPHY, GEOLOGY AND NATURE</b>	
Humantees <a href="http://humanatees.co.uk/">http://humanatees.co.uk/</a> (tutoring Service)	Yes
Odizzi <a href="https://www.oddizzi.com/">https://www.oddizzi.com/</a>	Yes
Little passports <a href="https://www.littlepassports.com/?gclid=CjwKCAi-Ahc7yBRAdEiwAplGxX9TNKaWy7y4SnHn_sC_H2ahsmZUo6NesyTr_roGFZzsYa_gR6QnlghoCC5cQAvD_BwE">https://www.littlepassports.com/?gclid=CjwKCAi-Ahc7yBRAdEiwAplGxX9TNKaWy7y4SnHn_sC_H2ahsmZUo6NesyTr_roGFZzsYa_gR6QnlghoCC5cQAvD_BwE</a> (kits by post)	Yes
National Geographic <a href="https://www.nationalgeographic.com/">https://www.nationalgeographic.com/</a>	Yes
Solar radiation Calculator <a href="http://www.solarelectricityhandbook.com/solar-irradiance.html">http://www.solarelectricityhandbook.com/solar-irradiance.html</a>	Free
3D Geography <a href="https://www.3dgeography.co.uk/">https://www.3dgeography.co.uk/</a>	Free
Portal One <a href="http://portal.onegeology.org/OnegeologyGlobal/?fbclid=IwAR2s-XJaCttP8ImGONJCoWes106oqF2yPD0BQ-4pEt_P-85oR1AT41tLSFM">http://portal.onegeology.org/OnegeologyGlobal/?fbclid=IwAR2s-XJaCttP8ImGONJCoWes106oqF2yPD0BQ-4pEt_P-85oR1AT41tLSFM</a>	Free
Smithsonian <a href="https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/travel-through-deep-time-interactive-earth-180952886/?fbclid=IwAR3sUQIaFriAqHpc_KDOnNGyDdqFW5mL9fGmpSuyawY-JhrBWeZ5VrbANLMc">https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/travel-through-deep-time-interactive-earth-180952886/?fbclid=IwAR3sUQIaFriAqHpc_KDOnNGyDdqFW5mL9fGmpSuyawY-JhrBWeZ5VrbANLMc</a>	Free
Mining Matters <a href="https://miningmatters.ca/resources/education/mining-matters-publications">https://miningmatters.ca/resources/education/mining-matters-publications</a>	Free
Scale of the Universe <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaGEjrADGPA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaGEjrADGPA</a>	Free
Virtual Microscope <a href="https://www.virtualmicroscope.org/explore">https://www.virtualmicroscope.org/explore</a>	Free
Global Biodiversity Information Facility <a href="https://www.gbif.org/">https://www.gbif.org/</a>	Free
Catalogue of Life <a href="http://www.catalogueoflife.org/col/">http://www.catalogueoflife.org/col/</a>	Free
Windpower Database <a href="http://www.wind-power-program.com/UK_wind_speed_database.htm">http://www.wind-power-program.com/UK_wind_speed_database.htm</a>	Free
RHI school gardening <a href="https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/resources">https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/resources</a>	Free

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<b>GEOGRAPHY, GEOLOGY AND NATURE</b>	
Solar radiation Calculator <a href="http://www.solarelectricityhandbook.com/solar-irradiance.html">http://www.solarelectricityhandbook.com/solar-irradiance.html</a>	Free
Tectonic plate Movement <a href="http://students.open.ac.uk/science/s104/S104Software/PlateMotion.html">http://students.open.ac.uk/science/s104/S104Software/PlateMotion.html</a>	Free
Met Office Climate data <a href="https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/research/climate/maps-and-data/uk-climate-averages">https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/research/climate/maps-and-data/uk-climate-averages</a>	Free
Daft Logic Height above sea level <a href="https://www.daftlogic.com/sandbox-google-maps-find-altitude.html">https://www.daftlogic.com/sandbox-google-maps-find-altitude.html</a>	Free
USGS: Water Cycle <a href="https://www.usgs.gov/special-topic/water-science-school/science/water-cycle?qt-science_center_objects=0#qt-science_center_objects">https://www.usgs.gov/special-topic/water-science-school/science/water-cycle?qt-science_center_objects=0#qt-science_center_objects</a>	Free
Current Wind Map <a href="https://earth.nullschool.net/#current/wind/surface/level/orthographic=91.52,-54.40,281/loc=1.658,10.551">https://earth.nullschool.net/#current/wind/surface/level/orthographic=91.52,-54.40,281/loc=1.658,10.551</a>	Free

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<b>HISTORY</b>	
Humantees <a href="http://humantees.co.uk/">http://humantees.co.uk/</a>	Yes
School History <a href="https://schoolhistory.co.uk/">https://schoolhistory.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Squaducation <a href="https://www.squaducation.com/">https://www.squaducation.com/</a> ( <i>Videos</i> )	Yes
Historical Association <a href="https://www.history.org.uk/student/categories/history-resources-for-students">https://www.history.org.uk/student/categories/history-resources-for-students</a>	Yes
Mysteries in time <a href="https://www.mysteriesintime.co.uk/">https://www.mysteriesintime.co.uk/</a> ( <i>Kits by post</i> )	Yes
Teach It <a href="https://www.teachithistory.co.uk/resources">https://www.teachithistory.co.uk/resources</a>	Yes
Active History <a href="https://www.activehistory.co.uk/">https://www.activehistory.co.uk/</a>	Yes
NatGeo <a href="https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/teacher-category/history/">https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/teacher-category/history/</a>	Free
History Resources cupboard <a href="https://www.historyresourcecupboard.co.uk/">https://www.historyresourcecupboard.co.uk/</a>	Free
Big History Project <a href="https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home">https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home</a>	Free

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<b>LANGUAGES</b>	
Duolingo <a href="https://www.duolingo.com/">https://www.duolingo.com/</a>	Yes
Dinolino <a href="https://dinolino.com/">https://dinolino.com/</a>	Yes
Mango Languages <a href="https://mangolanguages.com/">https://mangolanguages.com/</a>	Yes
BSL online <a href="https://www.british-sign.co.uk/learn-online-british-sign-language-course/">https://www.british-sign.co.uk/learn-online-british-sign-language-course/</a>	Yes
One Third Stories <a href="https://onethirdstories.com/">https://onethirdstories.com/</a>	Free
Coffee Break <a href="https://radiolingua.com/">https://radiolingua.com/</a>	Free
Lingq <a href="https://www.lingq.com/en/">https://www.lingq.com/en/</a>	Free
Memrise <a href="https://www.memrise.com/">https://www.memrise.com/</a>	Free
Forvo <a href="https://forvo.com/">https://forvo.com/</a>	Free
BBC languages <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/</a>	Free
uTalk <a href="https://www.utalk.com/en">https://www.utalk.com/en</a>	Free
German Pod 101 <a href="https://www.germanpod101.com">https://www.germanpod101.com</a>	Free
Yabla <a href="https://www.yabla.com/">https://www.yabla.com/</a>	Free
NHK (Japanese) <a href="https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/learnjapanese/">https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/learnjapanese/</a>	Free
Rocket Languages <a href="https://www.rocketlanguages.com/">https://www.rocketlanguages.com/</a>	Free
Slow Russian ( <i>other languages available</i> ) <a href="https://realrussianclub.com/slowrussianpodcast/">https://realrussianclub.com/slowrussianpodcast/</a>	

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<b>MUSIC AND ARTS</b>	
Artventure <a href="https://artventure.com.au/">https://artventure.com.au/</a>	Yes
Prodigies Music <a href="https://prodigiesmusic.com/">https://prodigiesmusic.com/</a>	Yes
Art Eye Deer <a href="https://arteyedeer.com.au/">https://arteyedeer.com.au/</a>	Yes
Student Art guide <a href="https://www.studentartguide.com/resources/free-art-teacher-resources">https://www.studentartguide.com/resources/free-art-teacher-resources</a>	Free
Artprojectsforkids <a href="https://artprojectsforkids.org/">https://artprojectsforkids.org/</a>	Yes
Drawing Bootcamp <a href="https://diy.org/courses/6/drawing-bootcamp">https://diy.org/courses/6/drawing-bootcamp</a>	Yes
How to Draw Cartoons <a href="http://www.how-to-draw-cartoons-online.com/">http://www.how-to-draw-cartoons-online.com/</a>	Free



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<b>COOKING AND HEALTHY EATING</b>	
Food, A fact of Life <a href="https://foodafactoflife.org.uk/?fbclid=IwAR3c-QFZZJvxVupKfFwTiBW3tSUY1GhN3yKRFMxncVW0-wSDki0G-9oihliog">https://foodafactoflife.org.uk/?fbclid=IwAR3c-QFZZJvxVupKfFwTiBW3tSUY1GhN3yKRFMxncVW0-wSDki0G-9oihliog</a>	Free
Grain Chain <a href="https://www.grainchain.com/">https://www.grainchain.com/</a>	Free
BBC Kids cooking <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/occasions/recipes_for_kids">https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/occasions/recipes_for_kids</a>	Free

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<b>VARIOUS SUBJECTS</b>	
Ed Place <a href="https://www.edplace.com/">https://www.edplace.com/</a>	Yes
Little Arthur <a href="https://www.homeeducationspecialists.org.uk/">https://www.homeeducationspecialists.org.uk/</a>	Yes
Good and Beautiful <a href="https://www.goodandbeautiful.com/">https://www.goodandbeautiful.com/</a>	Yes
Echo Education <a href="https://www.echo.education/">https://www.echo.education/</a>	Yes
Oxford home schooling <a href="https://www.oxfordhomeschooling.co.uk/?gclid=Cj0KCQiA4sjyBRC5ARIsAEHsELEw1s2N9hLJC9mPW-GRQq7IPYutWp4PYCYeihhcvzSEn2pEXONKmkllaAqkvEALw_wcB">https://www.oxfordhomeschooling.co.uk/?gclid=Cj0KCQiA4sjyBRC5ARIsAEHsELEw1s2N9hLJC9mPW-GRQq7IPYutWp4PYCYeihhcvzSEn2pEXONKmkllaAqkvEALw_wcB</a>	Yes
Wolsey Hall <a href="https://wolseyhalloxford.org.uk/">https://wolseyhalloxford.org.uk/</a>	Yes
Outschool <a href="https://outschool.com/?fbclid=IwAR3cQFZZJvxVupKfF-wTiBW3tSUY1GhN3yKRFMxncVW0-wSDki0G9oihliog#abk6tx7xuh">https://outschool.com/?fbclid=IwAR3cQFZZJvxVupKfF-wTiBW3tSUY1GhN3yKRFMxncVW0-wSDki0G9oihliog#abk6tx7xuh</a>	Yes
Teaching packs <a href="https://www.teachingpacks.co.uk/">https://www.teachingpacks.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Animal jobs Direct <a href="https://www.animal-job.co.uk/animal-care-courses.html">https://www.animal-job.co.uk/animal-care-courses.html</a>	Yes
Game Academy <a href="https://www.gamedacademy.com/?fbclid=IwAR3J_kUyBL_G5K7m05MTzjR06XaZALY9aEHkSi5hkCxNyM5YX-bK-mAW4p9A">https://www.gamedacademy.com/?fbclid=IwAR3J_kUyBL_G5K7m05MTzjR06XaZALY9aEHkSi5hkCxNyM5YX-bK-mAW4p9A</a>	Yes
The School Run <a href="https://www.theschoolrun.com/">https://www.theschoolrun.com/</a>	Yes
Twinkl <a href="https://www.twinkl.co.uk/">https://www.twinkl.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Doodle maths <a href="https://www.doodlemaths.com/">https://www.doodlemaths.com/</a>	Yes
Oakadigital <a href="https://www.oakabooks.co.uk/pages/oaka-digital">https://www.oakabooks.co.uk/pages/oaka-digital</a>	Yes
Study Ladder <a href="https://www.studyladder.co.uk/about">https://www.studyladder.co.uk/about</a>	Yes
IXL Maths and English <a href="https://uk.ixl.com/">https://uk.ixl.com/</a>	Yes
Education Quizzes <a href="https://www.educationquizzes.com/">https://www.educationquizzes.com/</a>	Yes

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Hamilton trust <a href="https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/">https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/</a>	Yes
Blossom and Root <a href="https://gumroad.com/blossomandroot">https://gumroad.com/blossomandroot</a>	Yes
Good and Beautiful <a href="https://www.goodandbeautiful.com/">https://www.goodandbeautiful.com/</a>	Yes
Kidskonnnect <a href="https://kidskonnnect.com/">https://kidskonnnect.com/</a>	Yes
Busy Things <a href="https://www.busythings.co.uk/">https://www.busythings.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Scholastic resource bank <a href="https://resource-bank.scholastic.co.uk/">https://resource-bank.scholastic.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Teacher's Pet <a href="https://tpet.co.uk/">https://tpet.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Plan Bee <a href="https://www.planbee.com/">https://www.planbee.com/</a>	Yes
Activity Village <a href="https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/">https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/</a>	Yes
Thinkers Meet Up <a href="https://www.thinkersmeetup.com/?fbclid=IwAR3wNacGZnL9d1PEH0VHi2dUIIdq56E9C4XHPQZTsH-5bu9jZaNcZh5QsGFw">https://www.thinkersmeetup.com/?fbclid=IwAR3wNacGZnL9d1PEH0VHi2dUIIdq56E9C4XHPQZTsH-5bu9jZaNcZh5QsGFw</a>	Yes
K5 learning <a href="https://www.k5learning.com/">https://www.k5learning.com/</a>	Yes
BBC Bitesize <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize</a>	Free
TES <a href="https://www.tes.com/teaching-resources">https://www.tes.com/teaching-resources</a>	Free
Quizlet <a href="https://quizlet.com/en-gb">https://quizlet.com/en-gb</a>	Free
Kid World Citizen <a href="https://kidworldcitizen.org/">https://kidworldcitizen.org/</a>	Free
Education.com <a href="https://www.education.com/">https://www.education.com/</a>	Free
EDX <a href="https://www.edx.org/">https://www.edx.org/</a>	Free
Open University Open Learn <a href="https://www.open.edu/openlearn/">https://www.open.edu/openlearn/</a>	Free
Topmarks <a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/</a>	Free
Easy Peasy Homeschool <a href="https://allinonehomeschool.com/">https://allinonehomeschool.com/</a>	Free
Khan Academy <a href="https://www.khanacademy.org/">https://www.khanacademy.org/</a>	Free
Oxford Owl <a href="https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/">https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/</a>	Free
Future Learn <a href="https://www.futurelearn.com/">https://www.futurelearn.com/</a>	Free
Gojimo <a href="http://www.gojimo.com/">http://www.gojimo.com/</a>	Free
TED Talks <a href="https://www.ted.com/playlists/86/talks_to_watch_with_kids">https://www.ted.com/playlists/86/talks_to_watch_with_kids</a>	Free

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<b>EXAM BOARDS AND PAST PAPERS</b>	
National Curriculum <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum</a>	Yes
Edexcel past papers and mark schemes <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html</a>	Yes
Cambridge past papers <a href="https://www.igcsecentre.com/cambridge-igcse-past-exam-papers/">https://www.igcsecentre.com/cambridge-igcse-past-exam-papers/</a>	Yes
AQA past papers <a href="https://www.aqa.org.uk/find-past-papers-and-mark-schemes">https://www.aqa.org.uk/find-past-papers-and-mark-schemes</a>	Yes
WJEC past papers <a href="https://www.wjec.co.uk/students/past-papers/">https://www.wjec.co.uk/students/past-papers/</a>	Yes

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<b>ANIMALS</b>	
WWF <a href="http://www.wwf.org.uk">www.wwf.org.uk</a>	Free
RSPCA Education <a href="https://education.rspca.org.uk/">https://education.rspca.org.uk/</a>	Free
Born Free <a href="https://www.bornfree.org.uk/">https://www.bornfree.org.uk/</a>	Free
Blue Cross <a href="https://www.bluecross.org.uk">https://www.bluecross.org.uk</a>	Free
National Animal Welfare Trust <a href="https://www.nawt.org.uk">https://www.nawt.org.uk</a>	Free
PETA <a href="https://www.peta.org.uk/misc/free-humane-education-materials/">https://www.peta.org.uk/misc/free-humane-education-materials/</a>	Free
RSPB <a href="https://www.rspb.org.uk">https://www.rspb.org.uk</a>	Yes
PDSA <a href="https://www.pdsa.org.uk/what-we-do/education-centre">https://www.pdsa.org.uk/what-we-do/education-centre</a>	Free
Gwent Wildlife Trust <a href="https://www.gwentwildlife.org/home-education">https://www.gwentwildlife.org/home-education</a>	Free

## WELLBEING

Young Minds, mental health resources, support and advice for parents and young people. <https://www.youngminds.org.uk>

Anna Freud – mental help resources, help and advice for parents and young people. <https://www.annafreud.org>

Meic – mental health support line and text service for young people. <https://www.meiccymru.org>

CEOP – Advice for keeping your child safe online. <https://www.ceop.police.uk>

Beat – Help and advice with eating disorders. <https://www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk>

Umbrella Cymru – Gender and sexual diversity support. <https://www.umbrellacymru.co.uk>

Childline – help and support for young people. <https://www.childline.org.uk>

Platform4YP- lots of excellent mental health and wellbeing article's for young people and practical support and groups. <https://platform4yp.org>

### Other Opportunities:

GAVO – local volunteering opportunities for young people who are 14+. <https://www.gavo.org.uk/volunteering>

## Other Information:

Free swimming lessons are available to all EHE pupils within Blaenau Gwent. We can also arrange a discount card that entitles your child to free entry to techniquest. Please see contact details below for more information.

## Contact Information:

Should you require any help or support please contact Charlotte Copik-Phillips the EHE Education Welfare Officer for Blaenau Gwent:

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