

Home tuition entails not sending your child to a school and instead tutoring them at home. This doesn't mean you have to actually tutor them at home if this would be difficult. There are many tuition services offering tutoring in the home or at one of their bases or even in the community. There are also organisations that provide advice and support for parents who choose to tutor their child(ren) at home.

Online tuition

Home tuition can be face to face or on-line. Many tutoring services now offer online tuition.

Flexi schooling

Flexi Schooling is an arrangement between the parent and school where your child is registered at a school but attends on a part time basis. For the rest of the time, you decide how your child will be educated whether at home or through other tuition arrangements.

You will need to get the agreement of the head teacher / principal of the school at which your child is registered as otherwise it would be unlawful for your child to be absent from school without authorised consent.

What you need to think about if you are considering alternatives to state funded education

- your child(ren)'s views on any decision about their education. Children often have ideas about how they learn best and what works for them.
- whether removing your child(ren) from state funded education is a realistic option for you. Educating your child independently can be expensive and take up a great deal of time especially if you are going to educate them yourself.
- the local education authority will want to know that you are providing a suitable education for your child if they're not in school so you will need to be able to show them on request what arrangements you have in place. If you fail to provide information that satisfies them the education you are providing is suitable they can force you to send your child to a school and if you refuse prosecute you which could lead to you having to pay a fine or even go to prison.