

Are you in contact with the children during this time?

Yes, of course. I provide small exercises via email daily and they send back their results and how they are doing nearly every day. Some pupils even take and talk to me;) Furthermore I print exercises on paper and spread them once a week.





How is the situation for you and for the children?

It's hard for the children - they are bored staying at home and they miss their friends. They actually text me they miss school and their teacher. That's pretty nice to hear. For teachers it's good on one side, because we still get 100% money although not working that much. But we would love to go back to school too. Furthermore we are worried about some children, when we know the parents don't spent much time looking after them. They don't learn anything and watch TV all day. We can't help in this situation, but when school starts again these kids will have problems as they missed a lot





When school starts again, do you think the kids keep the distance to other kids and the teachers?

The government doesn't think they can keep the distance and I also think it wouldn't be easy, that's why primary schools and kindergarten are still closed





Do you have some tips for parents on what to do with their children in the meantime?

I think it will help the children to have kind of a schedule to structure their day.

Many parents are working so it's a difficult situation for both, parents as well as children.

Some pupils told me they started using zoom to have contact to their friends for maybe 30 minutes a day. They love it;)





Are there major drawbacks to your lesson plans for the school year or are you able to continue as intended? How do you ensure that the children have no disadvantage?

Of course children don't learn as much at home compared to lessons in school. We try our best to send them exercises and to stay in direct contact via internet. But it's also up to the parents if they (can) help their children and if they give them access to internet and email. We already got messages of children saying they miss math lessons because their mum can't explain it and she isn't as patient as teacher.

There are going to be big differences, which will be very hard to deal with.

