**Earwig**

**Feedback from Staff**

**Lynn Powick (early years module)** It wasn’t successful for what we needed and when the guy came in to talk to us he even acknowledged that it didn’t meet our needs at the moment as there is no way of analysing the data.

**Sarah L-E** I don’t use it on my phone as its annoying. So I always just take photos and then upload them onto the computer and then earwig- to be honest I don’t use it that much as it takes so long.

**Cassie Walker** Hi – I don’t use Earwig as often due to our weekly newsletters that go home. Additionally, when used it would be done after school.

**Katelyn Cook** I also haven’t really used it due to newsletters, and the need to do it after school without enough time in the classroom. We often use the file transfer instead of earwig these days to organise photos.

**Laura Dixon** I agree with Sarah, the app is so annoying so I also upload to the system and then do a mass upload maybe after school or during the holidays.

I have encouraged the parents to look at earwig to look at extra photos, but the last time I checked the most they had logged in was 4 times. We also send home the newsletter with a picture of two and as they don’t log on to earwig that often, feel that is all parents want to see.

The newsletter is something that each class sends home on a Friday with information about the children have done OT, SLT and academic lessons. We usually put a few pictures on there. I do think that hardly anyone uses across primary anymore now that we have the newsletters.

**Bonny Brown** My parents never look at it even though we put things up now and again. We send home the weekly newsletter to parents, which include photos and information about the children’s week. Parents love the newsletter and we have had great feedback. Think we need to think very carefully about earwig as it isn’t being used.

Think we should scrap it. Parents don’t log onto it and seem to much prefer our newsletter that goes home weekly in primary.

**Diane McCleod** It’s not too bad to use, but it’s doubling up on the photo evidence sheets that we print for folders, and don’t really have time to add to it. I have started to do it in the holidays, if I have time.

**Laurie Birkhead** Love the idea of it but realistically do not have the time to put pictures on it!

**Amy Clothier** I have occasionally used it to share pictures. But hardly any of my parents in my class check it.  So don’t see much point in using it.

**Becky Gospage** I don’t use it – our parents get pictures in newsletter which they seem satisfied with. We also email trip pictures etc.

**Alison Hall** Yes I find Earwig quite easy to use. The Oak class parents do log in and check approx. once a month. I think it is a good source for parents to see what’s going on

**Secondary don’t use it.**

**Tom Richards** Do not use

**Laurie Birkhead** Love the idea of it but realistically do not have the time to put pictures on it

Roger stopped using it because it would lose his images with the app issue on iphone.

Beth has also lost images