

What are the Challenges support staff in school face since Covid 19

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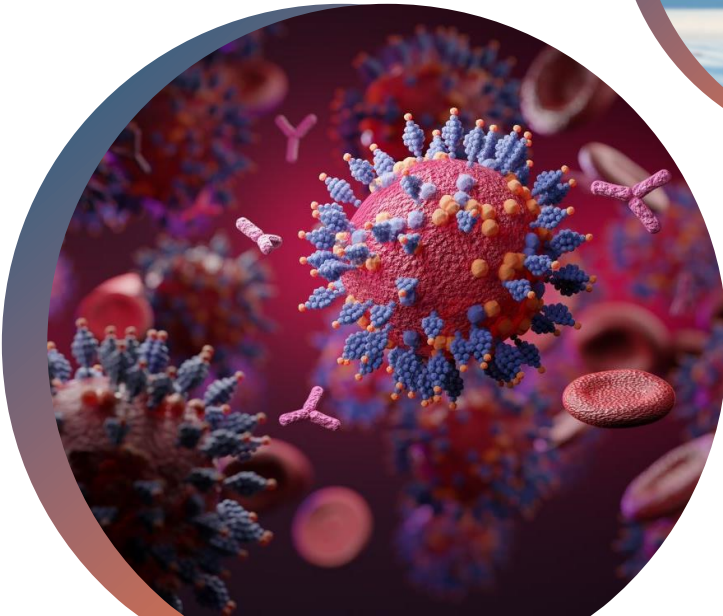
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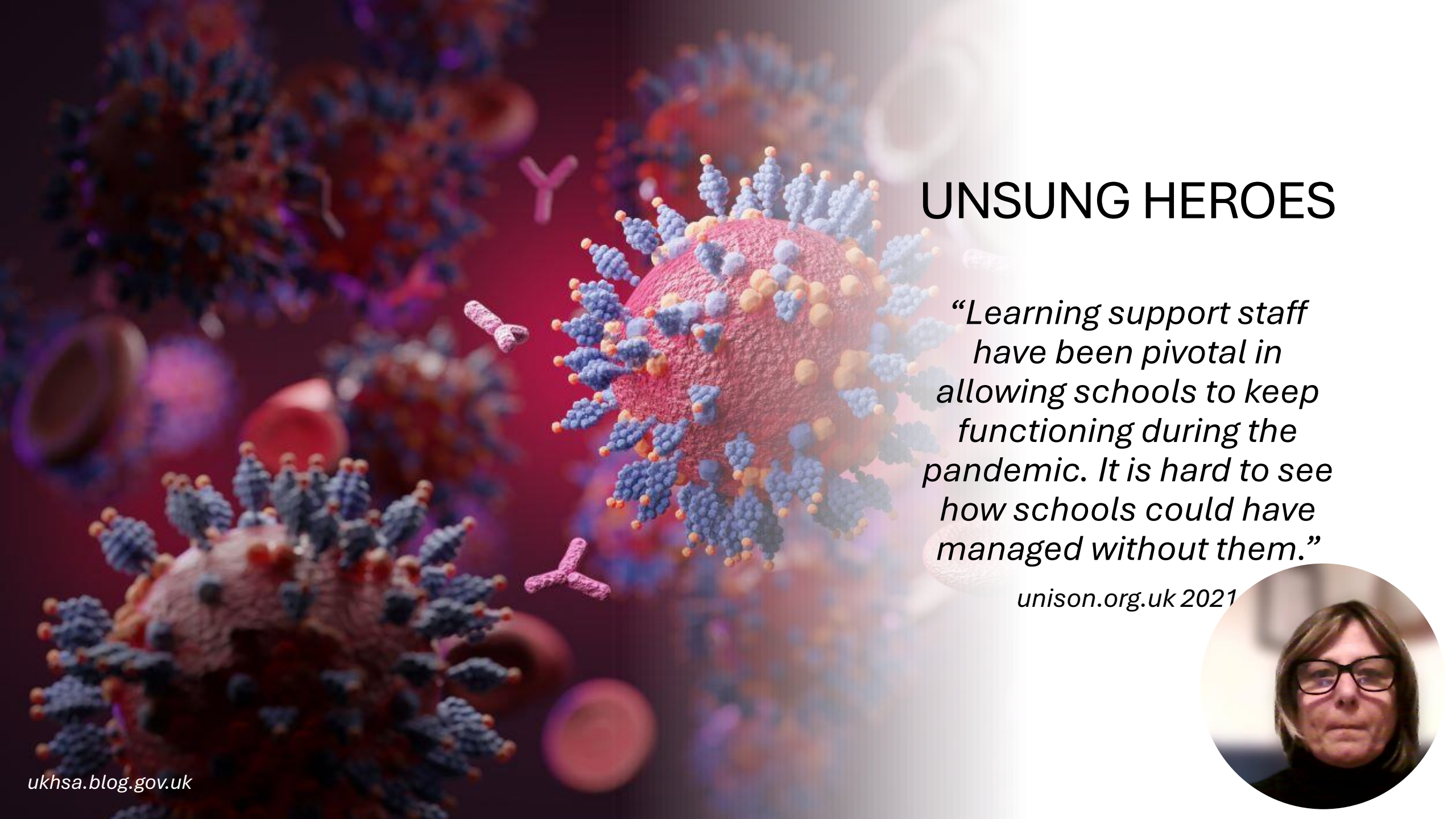


The day educational settings changed

- *“Today, I can announce we are bringing forward the Easter break for schools in Wales. Schools across Wales will close for statutory provision of education at the latest on 20 March 2020.”*

(gov.wales 2024)

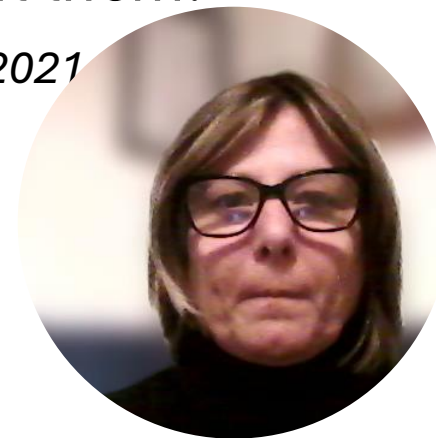




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“Learning support staff have been pivotal in allowing schools to keep functioning during the pandemic. It is hard to see how schools could have managed without them.”

unison.org.uk 2021



The new normal

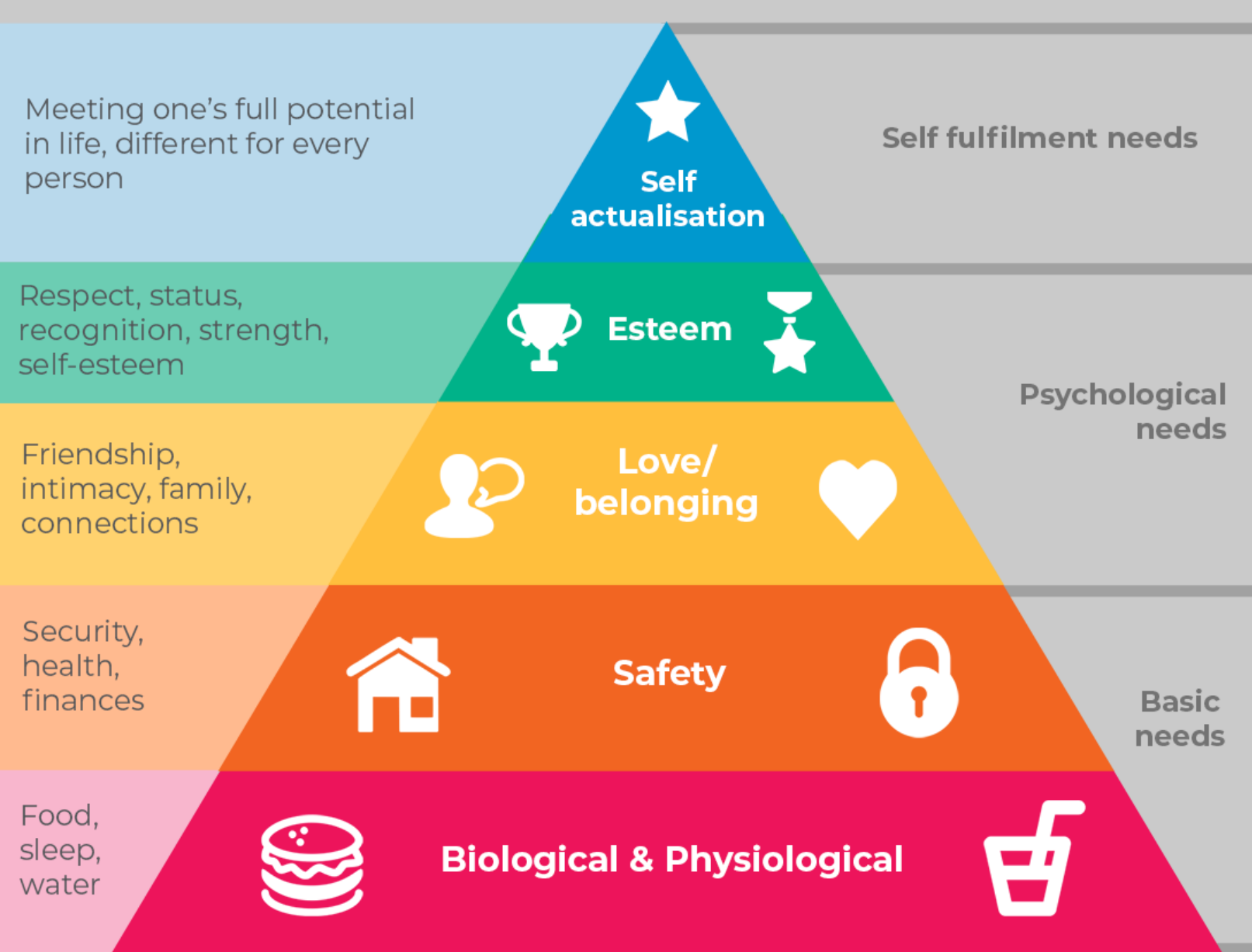


INCREASED WORKLOAD



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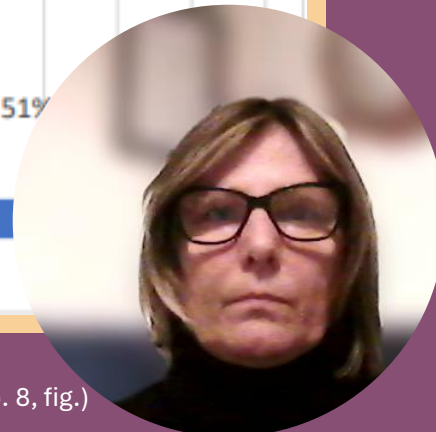
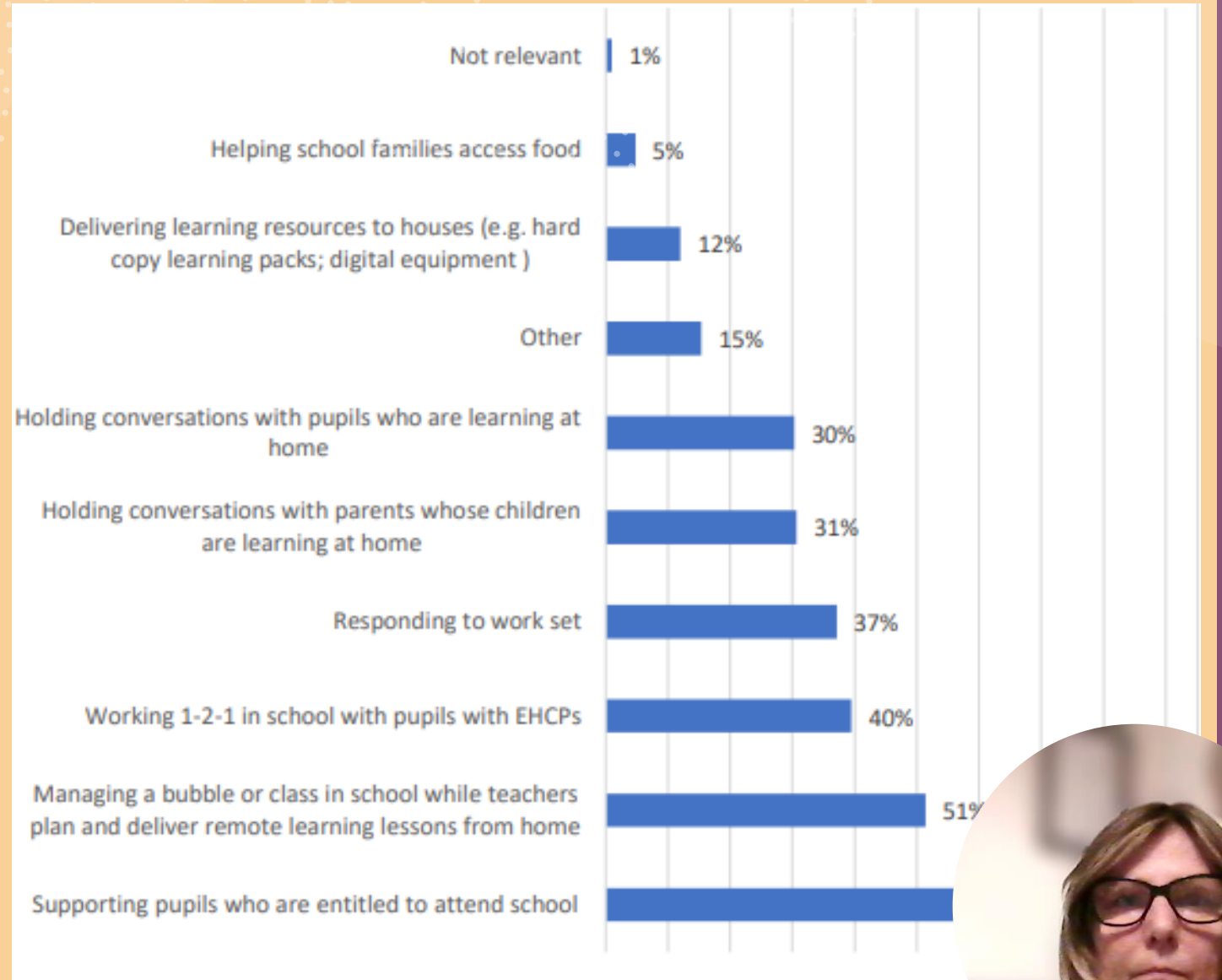


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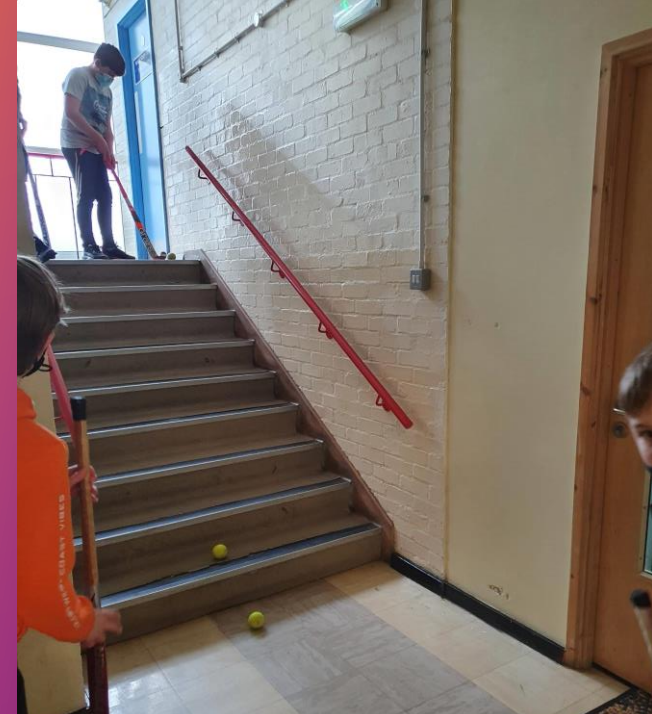
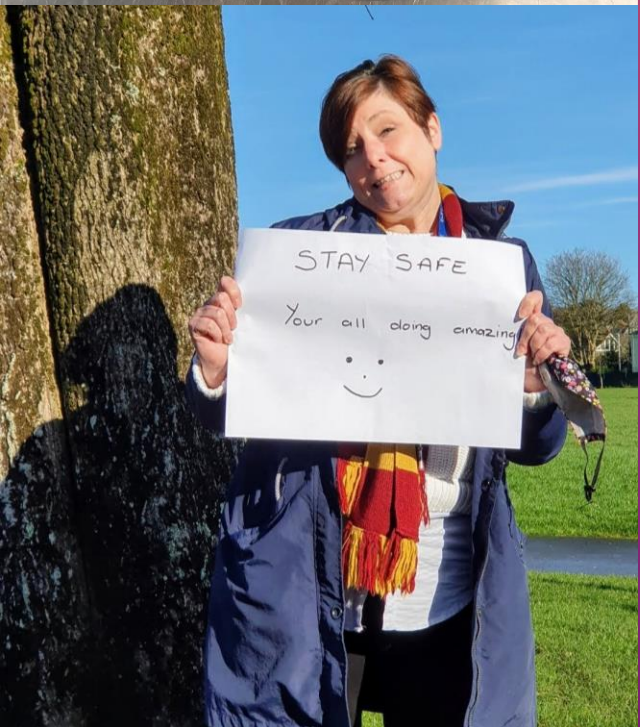
How the role of TA,s and LSA's has changed after covid



(theguardian 2024)



My own experience
through covid and how
it has changed my role
within school



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Conclusion
Thank you support staff



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