

# **Social Justice and Social Security Committee – Inquiry into Child Poverty and Parental Employment**

## **Additional information provided by the Scottish Out of School Care Network following evidence session on 25 May 2023**

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I have a small correction to make - I think I said the average practitioner worked 15-16 hours, looking at our survey I see, while that is within the range, the average is really 21 hours term time.

I also mentioned research which demonstrates how the lowest income children gained most in terms of attainment when accessing school age childcare and activities, so here is a link to that research:

Out of school activities during primary school and KS2 attainment  
([sosc.n.org/downloads/library/Out\\_of\\_School\\_Care/Out\\_of\\_school\\_activities\\_during\\_primary\\_school\\_and\\_KS2\\_attainment.pdf](https://sosc.n.org/downloads/library/Out_of_School_Care/Out_of_school_activities_during_primary_school_and_KS2_attainment.pdf)).

I was very grateful for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the children and parents/carers who need access to school age childcare, and the valuable workforce providing this much needed care.

With very best wishes, Irene

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