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It is one of the things that we struggled with to start with because our teachers technology knowledge wasn't quite where it should be with the subject knowledge. And if we wanted to develop our children into more tech savvy, independent learners, we need to support our teachers as well. And one of the things that it has really opened up for us is that we are able to use technology to enhance our teaching. It widens the world the scope that we've got in where we can teach our children, where we can take our children on a day to day basis. So having technology is a normal part of their learning and normal part of the learning process as well is something we're really passionate about.

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So using things like Google Earth, where we can use it in geography, means the children get to see parts of the country that they would never see, especially coming from the kind of area where we work at the moment where our children don't tend to travel or move off the island as much as we'd like them to. It's also work with my teachers in allowing them to work more cooperative leaders. We are lucky enough to be a three form entry school, which means we've got three teachers in each year group. But having technology means that they can work together on a project in different rooms. They don't have to be in the same room, which has been incredibly helpful.

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They can work from home and support each other as well. So that's allowed that too. But I think the main thing for us is it's really just opened the world of teaching because we can look for things that we didn't have before. We can use technology that wasn't there prior to enhance our teaching on a day to day basis, using things like videos, filming each other, filming our children, it really builds up oracy skills which we're dealing with as well, so that the children get opportunities to talk to each other, they get opportunities to talk to authors in different places. It just really opens up a whole world of learning that we didn't know existed before.

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So it's just bringing that blended learning approach where they can go at home, use the resources effectively, and bring that knowledge into school so they can use it in their learning.