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Dear Mr Lowe ,

Re: Freedom of Information Request - Ref: CHB/04/032021/F

Thank you for your email, received on 23 March 2021, in which you have requested the following information:

Please can the following information be provided for the academic years: 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 (so far).

1) How many formal complaints regarding a school staff member (for example, but not limited to: teacher, headteacher, head of year) bullying a student or a colleague did your school receive over the specified academic year(s)?

For Q1, please can you disclose the nature of the bullying complaint i.e. 'threatening language', 'cyberbullying', 'physical assault', and tell me who complained about whom, including the complainant's year group if it is a student. So, for example, a Year (INSERT YEAR HERE) student could have formally accused a teacher of using threatening language in a bullying manner.

1a) How many of these complaints- identified in Q1- were formally investigated by the school?

1aa) What were the outcomes (for example, but not limited to: warning, removal of post) of these investigations?

Please state the amount of money the complainant received in cases where the parents of said child/ colleague demanded compensation for the incident.

Though "bullying" has not got a legal definition, I am classing it as: intending to hurt someone either physically or emotionally (this is often aimed at certain groups, for example because of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation). Bullying takes many forms and can include: physical assault, teasing, making threats, name calling, cyberbullying - bullying via mobile phone or online (for example email, social networks and instant messenger).

Your request will now be considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You will receive a response within the statutory timescale of 20 School days as defined by the Act, subject to the information not being exempt or containing a reference to a third party.

The statutory timescale of 20 Schools days means you will receive a response by 4 May 2021 (including the Half Term break. From 2-18 April).



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In some cases, there may be a fee payable for the retrieval, collation and provision of the information you request. If this is the case, you will be informed, and the 20 Schools day timescale will be suspended until we receive payment from you. If you choose not to make a payment, then your request will remain unanswered.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office quoting your reference number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Duffy
Compliance Officer