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Via Email

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Dear Ms Latif

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - REF NO: 016304**

I am writing to confirm that Middlesbrough Council has now completed its search for the information you requested on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In your request you asked for the following information:

Please could you provide the rate of confirmed coronavirus cases amongst school staff for each week in November and December.

I would like you to split the figures into primary, secondary and special schools if possible.

In addition, I would like you to split them into staff category: teacher, teaching assistant, support staff and auxiliary staff if possible.

**Response:**

Positive COVID case data which Middlesbrough Council has access is available via the PHE PowerBI Covid-19 Situational Line List. We are unable to accurately identify school related cases due to missing fields related to the individual's employment. Locally it was agreed all schools would report cases amongst pupils and staff to South Tees Public Health, so we have a record of these reported cases. Some cases may have been missed if the school did not report the case or they were unaware.

For the complete weeks in November and December there were 145 cases amongst school staff for Middlesbrough schools that were reported to us. The table below breaks this down by the type of school. The second table shows the staff category provided to us by the schools.

Week	Primary	Secondary	Special	Total
02/11/2020 - 08/11/2020	10	6	3	19
09/11/2020 - 15/11/2020	13	7	5	25
16/11/2020 - 22/11/2020	12	4	8	24
23/11/2020 - 29/11/2020	20	3	2	25
30/11/2020 - 06/12/2020	5	5		10
07/12/2020 - 13/12/2020	6	4	11	21
14/12/2020 - 20/12/2020	5	1	1	7
21/12/2020 - 27/12/2020	7	2		9
28/12/2020 - 03/01/2021	3	2		5
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>145</b>

Week	Teaching	Office	Catering	Pastoral	Other	Domestic	Management	Not known	Total
02/11/2020 - 08/11/2020	10	2	2	3	1			1	19
09/11/2020 - 15/11/2020	18	2	1	2	1	1			25
16/11/2020 - 22/11/2020	21	1	1	1					24
23/11/2020 - 29/11/2020	19	2	3				1		25
30/11/2020 - 06/12/2020	9	1							10
07/12/2020 - 13/12/2020	20				1				21
14/12/2020 - 20/12/2020	6	1							7
21/12/2020 - 27/12/2020	9								9
28/12/2020 - 03/01/2021	4			1					5
<b>Total</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>145</b>

If you have any queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Requests Team via email [foi@middlesbrough.gov.uk](mailto:foi@middlesbrough.gov.uk). Please remember to quote the reference number shown above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you may ask for an internal review within 40 days of receipt of the response. You should write to:-

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 Governance and Information Manager,  
 P.O. Box 500,  
 Civic Centre,  
 Middlesbrough.  
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

*Information Commissioner's Office,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
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SK9 5AF*

Yours sincerely

Information Request Team