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Our ref: 2230329



Date: 11 January 2021

Dear Aisha Latif

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

#### **You requested:**

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.

#### **Our response:**

Table shows the number of school employees absent from school each week in November and December 2020 for reason of 'Covid-19 (Diagnosed)', split by school type and grouped by post title

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Absences are included more than once where the absence spans more than one week, an absence is included if any part of the week is recorded as 'Covid-19 (Diagnosed)' (not just whole weeks)

For context, as at 11 January 2021 there are 239 employees working with their main post in Nursery schools, 5141 in Primary schools, 953 in Secondary schools and 693 in Special schools (employees may hold more than one post but are only counted once).

School Type	Post Title/Week Ending (date)	08/11/2020	15/11/2020	22/11/2020	29/11/2020	06/12/2020	13/12/2020	20/12/2020	27/12/2020	03/01/2021
Nursery	Premises Manager/Caretaker/Cleaner/Catering Staff						1	1	1	1
	Teaching Assistant/Enhanced TA/HLTA	2	3	4	5	1	1			
<b>Nursery Schools Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Primary	Administrative & Office Staff/Bursar/Data Manager	2	2	4	3	2	2	2	1	1
	Head Teacher/Assistant HT/Deputy HT/Leadership Teacher	2	3	3	2	1				
	Health Care & Education Assistant/LSA/Residential	1	1							

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	Childcare Officer/Learning Mentor/Support Assistant									
	Parent Support/Student Support/Pastoral Staff		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Premises Manager/Caretaker/Cleaner/Catering Staff	4	5	3	5	3	1			
	Qualified Teacher/Post Threshold Teacher/Unqualified Teacher	13	15	17	17	14	11	9	5	7
	Sports Facility Manager/Swimming Instructor		1	1	1	1	1	1		
	Supervisory Assistant/Breakfast Club Staff	3	3	3	6	4	2	1	1	1
	Teaching Assistant/Enhanced TA/HLTA	17	20	25	25	20	19	13	14	14
<b>Primary Schools Total</b>		<b>42</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Secondary</b>	Administrative & Office Staff/Bursar/Data Manager	1	1							
	Head Teacher/Assistant HT/Deputy HT/Leadership Teacher				2	2	1	1	1	1
	Parent Support/Student Support/Pastoral Staff		1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Premises Manager/Caretaker/Cleaner/Catering Staff			1	2	2	1			
	Qualified Teacher/Post Threshold	4	4	4	8	11	8	6	5	5

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	Teacher/Unqualified Teacher									
	Sports Facility Manager/Swimming Instructor						1			

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- Late (you want us to explain why the response was late or has not yet been provided)
- Disagree with exemption (wrong exemption, or applied incorrectly)
- Disagree with the public interest test (Explain in detail why you believe the public interest test favours disclosure.)
- Request is incomplete, information is missing (indicate what is missing), information is inaccurate Information is not what was requested.

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The Information Commissioner's Office  
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Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF.  
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I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Julie Purser  
Freedom of Information and Data Protection Officer

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