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Dear Shanti Das

Information Request

In response to your Freedom of Information request dated 17 April 2019, in which you sought the following information:

How many primary school-age pupils were "off-rolled" in your local authority area (left the state-funded school sector without being permanently excluded) between September 1 2017 and August 31 2018? Please provide the age of the pupil.

Age at academic year start	Number of children
(31-Aug-2017)	(aged 5-11) "off-
	rolled" during the
	year
5	305
6	278
7	283
8	246
9	224
10	205
11	176
Total	1717

Please provide the data for the same period (Sept 1 to August 31) for the following years: 2016/17, 2015/16, 2014/15, 2013/14.

We are unable to provide the information above requested, as it is not possible to achieve this within the timescale of 18 hours; i.e. it would take one person more than 18 hours to collate the information. In order to provide this information, it would mean checking data from 12 school census files (each containing data for c170,000 pupils), each taking 120 minutes to locate, retrieve and collate the information. This equates to 24 hours, which is over the 18 hour timescale.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for Local Authorities is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

I hope the information is of help.

Yours sincerely

C.A. leng Catherine King

FOI/EIR Co-ordinator for Hampshire Children's Services



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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 a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.