

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Compensation to Pupils/Parents***

**Request:**

Under the FOI Act could you please tell me how much your council has paid in compensation to pupils/parents on behalf of a school under your authority in the 2014, 2015 and 2016 calendar years.

If you can only provide the last three financial years, that is also acceptable.

Please breakdown the information clearly showing the school name, the month the payment was made, how much the payment was for and the reason for the payment - e.g. fell over running in playground.

In response to your request, please find our response below.

The Council has decided not to list the School Name as it has obligations to protect the personal information of individuals under the Data Protection Act. Therefore there is an exemption on disclosure of information which we feel is the personal information of identifiable individuals.

The Council believes that any detailed information, naming the School, would be personal data as defined by Section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act (DPA) as it relates to an identifiable individual and releasing this information to the wider world could identify the individuals concerned. Therefore the information you requested is personal data as described in Section 40(2)(a) of the FOIA.

Section 40(2) - Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if –

- (a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and
- (b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.

Year	School Name	Month of Payment	Amount of Payment	Reason
2014	Withheld	June	£ 17,500.00	Door slammed shut catching right index finger
2014	Withheld	June	£ 445.79	School gate swung into front of car then hit rear causing denting and damage to paintwork
2014	Withheld	August	£ 1,600.00	Claimant was knocked against the wall whilst playing football in sports hall, caught hand on apparatus

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2015	Withheld	January	£ 3,375.00	Claimant was swinging on a metal gate, when her friend shut the gate trapping her finger
2015	Withheld	July	£ 2,597.25	Teacher accidentally struck claimant on top of his head whilst ringing hand bell to signify the end of break
2015	Withheld	August	£ 3,500.00	Slipped on ice, on way to English block, sustained injury to left clavicle
2015	Withheld	November	£ 2,000.00	Pupils rolling volley ball posts across field when the base became detached and struck claimants foot
2016	Withheld	March	£ 15,000.00	Claimant was hit in her face by another pupil's hockey stick during hockey lesson
2016	Withheld	March	£ 8,046.65	Child was playing in playground when he collided with protruding bolts on a mobile basketball stand causing injury to face
2016	Withheld	November	£ 15,000.00	Pupil was playing football in the school hall with class, he was the goal keeper. Whilst saving a shot the goal collapsed