CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL

Response to Request for Information

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Home Educated Children

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you provide me with the following information:

• The number of children recorded as being educated at home for at least one period during each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date)

2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
197	256	352	450	413

• For children newly recorded as being home schooled in each academic year (2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date)), please provide a breakdown for each year by the school year the child is in

		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-20/17	2017-2018 (to date)
NCY	Reception	19	18	15	8	22
	1	13	32	35	28	22
	2	18	14	39	40	26
	3	10	22	23	41	31
	4	16	12	23	19	37
	5	18	18	22	32	17
	6	13	20	29	27	25
	7	21	22	20	47	23
	8	17	24	30	31	49
	9	19	23	42	54	33
	10	20	22	41	60	62
	11	13	29	33	63	66

• For children newly recorded as being home schooled (2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date)), please provide a breakdown for each year by reasons (if any) given for leaving formal education

		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
Initial Previously Reason experienced school attendance issues	0	6	31	30	30	
	Experienced bullying in school	2	13	25	26	14
	Experienced Emotional and Behavioural difficulties	0	5	21	66	55
	Lifestyle/ Cultural/ Philosophy choice	15	49	80	139	173
	Medical condition(s)	0	10	11	12	14
	Young person Near Exclusion	0	4	9	10	8
Young People new into City (EHE in previous LA)	0	1	4	8	4	
	Not Preferred School choice	2	26	62	77	53
SE	SEN issues	0	7	16	10	10
	Reason not given by parents	178	131	86	64	44
	Religious Beliefs	0	4	7	8	8

• The number of children returning to formal schooling after being educated at home during each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date)

	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
The number of children returning to formal schooling after being educated at home during the academic year	34	42	65	103	101

• For children returning to formal schooling after being educated at home during each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date), please provide a breakdown for each year by the school year the child is in

		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
NCY	Reception	3	2	2	2	5
	1	7	10	9	11	4
	2	6	5	11	17	10
	3	3	8	14	11	9
	4	1	3	5	7	6
	5	5	3	7	10	7
	6	1	3	2	9	5
	7	3	5	2	12	10
	8	2	3	7	4	13
	9	3	0	3	10	8
	10	0	0	3	7	16
	11	0	0	0	3	8

• For children returning to formal schooling after being educated at home during each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date), please provide a breakdown for each year by reasons (if any) given for leaving formal education

		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
Initial Reason	Previously experienced school attendance issues	0	0	0	10	6
	Experienced bullying in school	0	0	10	10	7
	Experienced Emotional and Behavioural difficulties	0	0	3	10	17
	Lifestyle/Cultural /Philosophy choice	1	2	5	22	32
	Medical condition(s)	0	6	2	2	1
Young perso Near Exclus	Young person Near Exclusion	0	0	0	2	4
	Young People new into City (EHE in previous LA)	0	0	2	3	1
	Not Preferred School choice	0	11	28	38	29
	SEN issues	0	0	6	2	2
	Reason not given by parents	33	21	9	4	2
	Religious Beliefs	0	0	0	0	0

• For each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date), how many times has the local authority asked for evidence that home schooling is providing a suitable education. Every family is asked to provide evidence for each child at least once a year.

• The number of school attendance orders issued to children that were being home schooled during each of the following academic years: 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 (to date)

	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018 (to date)
SAO	0	0	0	0	0