

2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale, NW9 4EW
13 January 2021
Our ref: 6864494

Thank you for your request received on 14 December 2020, for the following information:

Please provide me with the following information about bullying and racism in local schools under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, or the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Does the council have a record of the number of incidents of bullying recorded by local schools in the following years?

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

1.A If it does, please state what types of bullying are recorded, e.g. racist, homophobic, religious, disability related, etc?

1.B Does the council have any more general records of racism in schools in any/all of the above years, e.g. records of racist incidents rather than racist bullying?

2. What was the total number of racist incidents (or incidents of racist bullying) reported by schools to the council in each of the following school years? (Please specify whether the data held refers to racist incidents or racist bullying.)

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

2.A What was the total number of schools that reported racist incidents or racist bullying to the council in each of the following school years? (Please specify whether the data held refers to racist incidents or racist bullying.)

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

3. Does the council have a record of incidents of hate crime recorded by local schools and/or the police? (For example, this might be reports made by schools to the police.)

3.A If so, does this include figures specifically on racial hate crimes?

4. If the council has a record of racial hate crimes in local schools, please provide the total number of incidents recorded in the following school years.

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

4.A Are the figures for racial hate crimes included in the figures for racist incidents or racist bullying (question 2)?

5. Does the council have records of school exclusions for racist bullying (or racist incidents) in any of the below school years?

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

6. If the council has records of exclusions for racist bullying (or racist incidents), how many were recorded in below school years?

2015-16

2016-17

2017-18

2018-19

2019-20

2020-21

6.A For each year please state how many were i) fixed-term exclusions and ii) permanent exclusions.

If you need to clarify this request, please contact me under your Section 16 duty, or Section 15 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act, to provide advice and assistance.

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and although we hold some of the information requested, some is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

We have provided answers to your request below showing where we do not hold the information requested.

Please provide me with the following information about bullying and racism in local schools under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, or the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Does the council have a record of the number of incidents of bullying recorded by local schools in the following years?

No - Schools do not report bullying incidents to the Council, they report them to their governors.

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N/A

1.B Does the council have any more general records of racism in schools in any/all of the above years, e.g. records of racist incidents rather than racist bullying?

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2. What was the total number of racist incidents (or incidents of racist bullying) reported by schools to the council in each of the following school years? (Please specify whether the data held refers to racist incidents or racist bullying.)

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No - Schools do not report racist incidents to the council, they report them to their governors.

4.A Are the figures for racial hate crimes included in the figures for racist incidents or racist bullying (question 2)?

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5. Does the council have records of school exclusions for racist bullying (or racist incidents) in any of the below school years?

These are the results for permanent exclusions. Schools report fixed term exclusion data directly to the DfE

2015-16 = 0

2016-17 = 0

2017-18 = 0

2018-19 = 0

2019-20 = 0

2020-21 = 0

6. If the council has records of exclusions for racist bullying (or racist incidents), how many were recorded in below school years?

N/A

6.A For each year please state how many were i) fixed-term exclusions and ii) permanent exclusions.

N/A

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Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information

Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

If, having exhausted our review procedure, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you will have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website www.ico.org.uk). There is no charge for making an appeal.