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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request for information relating to Looked After Children.

You have requested the following information:

1. *How many private tutors were hired in 2019 to tutor the looked after children your virtual school supports?*

The Virtual School rarely directly hires tutors for our looked after children. Instead, schools are provided with funds to provide tutoring and will engage the tutors and pay the agencies. These funds are usually part of a support package for the child and also covers other types of support.

In this current academic year the Virtual School have directly supported 1 pupil who has now returned to a formal school setting.

2. *How much was spent in 2019 on private tutors to educate the looked after children your virtual school supports?*

As at 27 January 2019 for the financial year 2019/2020 there were no invoices from any tutoring agency.

3. How many looked after children was your virtual school responsible for in 2019?

During the financial year 2018/2019 we had 615 children in care for some or all of the year.

4. How many hours of tutoring support were provided by private tutors in 2019 to educate the looked after children your virtual school supports?

The 1-1 tutoring which was in place for the pupil mentioned in question 1 was 1 hour per day for 8 weeks.

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Yours sincerely

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