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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI431681270**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Restraint at schools.

You have requested the following information:

**1a) Please can you tell me the number of incidents of RESTRAINT that have been used on pupils within special schools in your local authority over the last 5 academic years (2017/2018, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, and 2021/22 (so far). Can I have the data as an annual breakdown.**

**FYI - By Special schools I mean: Schools which provide tailored provision for pupils with special educational needs.**

**b) How many of these resulted in a physical injury to a child or young person?**

**2a) Please provide me with the total number of incidents of SECLUSION that took place in special schools in the local authority, over the last 5 academic years (2017/2018, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, and 2021/22 (so far). Can I have this as an annual breakdown.**

**b) How many of these resulted in an injury?**

For Questions 1 and 2, we do not hold the information requested and are informing you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

This information will be held by schools. You may wish to contact schools directly to request any information they may hold. Their contact details can be found at the link below:

[https://www.coventry.gov.uk/directory/10/schools\\_and\\_their\\_contact\\_details](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/directory/10/schools_and_their_contact_details)

**3a) Do staff at special schools in the local authority receive regular training in the use of restraint?**

Yes.

**b) If the above answer is yes, which type of training or provider is used, and how regularly (for instance, is it annual, biannual, or upon starting a staff role)?**

All special schools in Coventry use Team Teach as their de-escalation intervention and secure accredited training and refresh training in accordance with the programme's requirements.

To assist, further information on Team Teach which is publicly available can be accessed via their website at the link below:

<https://www.teamteach.co.uk/>

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Yours faithfully

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