From: Foi Enquiries

Sent: 25 September 2019 12:54

Subject: FOI-19-1179 - Standardised Assessments

Thank you for your information request of 28 August 2019. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested. Our response is now detailed below.

Last school year was the second year that Scottish National Standardised Assessments (SNSAs) have been run in Scottish schools. The tests have proven controversial but we would like to know how many children have actually been opted out of the tests by their parents. Could you please tell me therefore:

How many children sat the literacy test in your authority last year (2018-19)? Please state the total figure and also break the number down to show how many pupils sat the literacy test in P1; P4; P7 and S3

P1 - 1997

P4 - 2037

P7 - 1819

S3 - 1514

How many children in your authority were opted out of the literacy test in 2018-19. Please state the total and also break the number down to show how many pupils were opted out of the test in P1; P4; P7 and S3.

We are not aware of any requests to withdraw pupils from SNSA assessments.

How many children in your authority were opted out of the numeracy test in 2018-19. Please state the total and also break the number down to show how many pupils opted out of the test in P1; P4; P7 and S3

We are not aware of any requests to withdraw pupils from SNSA assessments.

What were the reasons given for parents opting children out of sitting the tests? We are not aware of any requests to withdraw pupils from SNSA assessments.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

We handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,



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