

Response to Requests made under the Freedom of Information Act (2000)

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I can confirm that we do hold this information. Please see our response(s) below where we have either provided the information or explained the legal basis relied upon to withhold it

Question 1 - How many positive COVID-19 cases have you had in school since September 2021?

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Question 2 - Are Test and Trace identifying close contacts of infected children? If not, who is taking on this responsibility?

Essex Test and Trace

Question 3 - What code are you using to record the absence of children due to COVID-19 infection?

X

Question 4 - How do you monitor & record ongoing pupil absence (to document Long Covid) after children have returned to school following COVID-19 infection?

Request Information and record with absence

Question 5 - How many CO2 monitors has your school received from the DfE?

12

Question 6 - Given that each room requires at least 1 CO2 monitor, how many monitors does your school require?

52

Question 7 - Have the DfE advised you to follow CO2 concentration guidance limits of 1500ppm to indicate poor air quality which is higher than advice given by the manufacturers?47

Yes

Question 8 - What concentration (ppm) levels are your school CO2 monitors recording daily?

Varies, dependant on windows being open

Question 9 - Please outline the action school staff take when CO2 monitors indicate poor air quality?

Open Windows

Question 10 - Please outline the action the Local Authority takes when poor air quality is consistently recorded?

Not yet known.

Question 11 - Have any sealed windows been upgraded to be able to provide fresh air; if so how many?

None

Question 12 - Other than natural ventilation, what ventilation technologies have been considered for your school, eg. HEPA filtration, and are any ventilation technologies currently in place?

No

Question 13 - How long does it take to receive support from your Local Authority and is their advice helpful?

LA are supportive, responding quickly with helpful advice.

If you are not satisfied with our response, you have the right to ask us to review our handling of your request. If this is the case, please contact us.

If you remain dissatisfied after the outcome of the review, you have the right to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). We will provide further details of this right in a review outcome letter

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