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Request and Response:

1) Could you please tell me:

a) the total number of children in your authority with a statement of SEN

As at 31 December 2012 there were 2,178 children with a statement of Special Education Need

b) the number of home educated children in your authority with a statement of SEN

As at 10 December 2012 there were 22 students receiving Elective Home Education with a Statement of Special Educational Needs

c) the number of home educated children of primary age with a statement of SEN

8 (36.4%) as at 10 December 2012

d) the number of home educated children of secondary age with a statement of SEN

14 (63.6%) as at 10 December 2012

e) the number of statements for home educated children categorised as having "moderate learning difficulty" (if the authority has a banding system, please could you indicate the number of home educated children within the relevant statement bands)

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

f) the number of statements for home educated children with physical disabilities

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

g) the number of statements for home educated children with speech, language and communication needs

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

h) the number of statements for home educated children with autism spectrum disorders

10 (45.5%) as at 10 December 2012

- i) the number of statements for home educated children with severe or complex learning difficulties (if the authority has a banding system, please could you indicate the number of home educated children within the relevant statement bands)**

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

- j) the number of home educated children with a statement of SEN who formerly attended a special school (if known)**

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

- k) the number of children with a statement of SEN who started home education during the calendar year 2012**

13 (59.0%) as at 10 December 2012

- l) the number of children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 2 years**

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

- m) the number of home educated children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 5 years**

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

- n) the number of children with a statement of SEN who ceased to be home educated during the calendar year 2012 because they started to attend school**

Less than 5 as at 10 December 2012

The response provided to question 1 has been provided as a snapshot and the numbers will fluctuate throughout the year. The Local Authority follows the Department for Education's guidance in suppressing numbers less than five when producing statistics.

- 2) Within your authority - not including the provision of assessments/reports for the annual review of the statement of SEN - do home educated children have access to any of the following:**

- a) educational psychology service**
- b) occupational therapy services and equipment**
- c) speech and language therapy**
- d) CAMHS**

Home educated children have access to these services just like any other child in Cornwall.

- 3) Does the authority have a specific policy with regard to provision of services and support listed in Part 3 of the statement when a child with a statement of SEN is home educated? If yes, could you please summarise the policy, for example if the authority does not make provision available when a child is home educated**

We have no specific policy. Each case is considered on an individual basis.

- 4) How many home educated children with a statement of SEN will be entered on the Alternative Provision Census under the category Not a School, for SEN support (deadline Thursday January 17th <http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/parents/invoivement/homeeducation/a0073322/funding-for-home-education>)**

The Council can confirm that it holds the information in response to question 4 but we are unable to provide this information to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act ("the Act"). The requested information is intended for future publication by the Council or another organisation.

Information provided by: Children, Schools & Families

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