

13 September 2022

Dear

ATISN 16581 Free School Uniforms Grant

Information requested

Thank you for your request received on 16 August 2022. You asked for details of:

How many grants have been awarded for free school uniforms from 1st January 2021 to 1st August 2021 and 1st January 2022 to 1st August 2022; and the value of the average free school uniform grant.

Our response

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government. However, this information should be held within Local Authorities as they administer these grants.

Regarding the average PDG Access Grant (school uniform grant), these are set at £125 for each eligible pupil in all statutory school years, except year 7 where the grant is worth £225 per eligible pupil. Please also note, that for the current academic year only (2022/23) there is a £100 uplift to the grant for all eligible pupils.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at: Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,

SK9 5AF

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely