I am writing in response to your Freedom of Information request:

**FOI66020**

**Fixed Penalty Notices issued**

1) How many fines have been issued to parents for taking unauthorised holidays and (separately) for unauthorised absences by children from school since the beginning of this academic year (2013/14) up until this FOI request? Please provide the information broken down into individual months. Can you also provide me with comparable figures for the previous two academic years?

**Response:**

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2) What is the total cash value of these fines (for each category individually) so far? (if calculating this figure will take too long please supply me the number of fines and the level of each fine).
Response: The cost of each fine of academic year 11/12 was £100 payable within 42 days, if paid by 28 days the fine reduced to £50.
For the academic year 12/13 the cost of each fine was raised by the DfE to £120 payable within 42 days, reduced to £60 if paid within 28 days. For this academic year the fine remains at £120 or reduced payment of £60, but the timescales have been reduced to 28 or 21 days.

3) How many of these cases have reached court (or if they have not, what is their current status)?

Response: 13/14 – 6 cases following non payment of fine have been submitted for prosecution in the Magistrates Court,
12/13 – 16 cases were successfully presented to court for unauthorised absence following non payment of fine,
11/12 – 6 cases were successfully presented to court for unauthorised absence following non payment of fine.

4) Have any parents received prison sentences or suspended sentences in relation to any such cases, and if so can you provide details (redacted if necessary)?

Response: No parents have received prison sentences or suspended sentences.

If you are unhappy with the information we have provided in response to your request please write to:

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Yours sincerely

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