

CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY BOARD 16 November 2020

Elective Home Education



Actions since September 2020

Parent and child/ren surveys sent (02/11/2020)

Background document plus case studies
submitted to Working Party (09/11/2020)

Focus Group Meeting (25/11/2020)

Next Working Group meeting (02/12/2020)



Annual Trends since 2016/17

Year	Start #	Opened	Closed	Total at yr end
2016/17	199	295	228	266
2017/18	266	251	217	300
2018/19	300	218	181	337
2019/20	337	186	162	361
2020/21	361	220	44	537 (30 Oct – HT1)



Increase (Net) in EHE since March 2020

As at	Opened	Closed	Net Change	Total at end of period	Reasons for closure
31/03/20				403	
30/04/20	3	1	+2	405	1 Returned to School
31/05/20	1	1	0	405	1 Moved Out of Borough
30/06/20	13	67	-54	351	65 Year 11s 1 No information 1 Moved OOB
31/07/20	13	2	+11	362	1 Returned to School 1 Moved Out of Borough
31/08/20	2	3	-1	361	3 Returned to School
30/09/20	153	24	+129	490	23 Returned to School 1 Moved Our of Borough
31/10/20	66	20	+46	536	17 Returned to School 2 Moved Out of Borough 1 decided not to proceed



Ethnicity Data Since April 20

Ethnicity	Female	Male	Total
<unknown>	15	6	21
African Asian	0	1	1
Any Other Asian Background	0	2	2
Any Other Black Background	6	4	10
Any Other Ethnic Group	3	3	6
Any Other Mixed Background	4	6	10
Any Other White Background	4	7	11
Black - African	2	4	6
Black - Ghanaian	0	1	1
Black - Somali	1	1	2
Black Caribbean	11	10	21
Black European	1	0	1
Chinese	1	0	1
Egyptian	1	0	1
Indian	7	7	14
Information Not Yet Obtained	10	12	22
Other Pakistani	0	1	1
Pakistani	7	7	14
Traveller of Irish Heritage	1	0	1
White - British	44	33	77
White - English	4	2	6
White - Irish	0	1	1
White / Asian	1	3	4
White / Black Caribbean	9	8	17
White Other	0	1	1
Total	132	120	252



Additional HMI questions

- Number of pupils who have become EHE since April 2020 who are also open to social services : 2 children who are on a CIN Plan. (In total there are now 5)
- Numbers of SEND pupils, including those with EHCPs, who have become EHE since April 2020, and if there are any patterns in the types of SEND : EHCP 5, SEND 34, with no obvious pattern
- Number of families where all children in the family are now EHE, since April 2020 : Unfortunately we do not currently hold the data in a format that enables us to answer this question, the team are however looking to see if we will be able in the future.
- Number of children whose parents have given COVID-related reasons for choosing EHE, since April 2020 : 90
- Any patterns in terms of postcodes/areas where children have become EHE, since April 2020 : No pattern have emerged , numbers have increased fairly evenly across the wards
- Is LA aware of any patterns of schools where numbers of EHE referrals are high (Ofsted would not use this to inform inspection activity unless we receive a concern from the LA or other body) : no schools have seen significant increase to EHE referrals.



New EHE by area / school since April 2020

Town	Total 252
Oldbury	42
Rowley Regis	37
Smethwick	41
Tipton	50
Wednesbury	23
West Bromwich	50
Other / Unknown	09

No school currently has reported EHE numbers that might be of significant note or concern.

Primary = 165 Secondary = 87

Total 252

