



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

21 July 2023

Dear ,

ATISN (18717 – Free School Meals)

Information requested

Thank you for your request, which we received on 12 July 2023. You asked how much it cost to provide free school meals for children during the May half-term.

Our response

Based on the claims that have been received from the local authorities, as of 20 July the cost to provide free school meals during the recent May half-term holiday was £2,686,908.

This is calculated on a rate of £3.90 per day; per eligible learner and a £5 administrative fee per payment made by the local authority.

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.

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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

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