

Introduction

This is a report based on unvalidated data for the Year 2017/18. The full data set for 2018/19 will not be released by DfE until Term 3 of 2019-20. The report does allow the analysis of patterns in the historical data up to and including the recent DfE release for 2017/18.

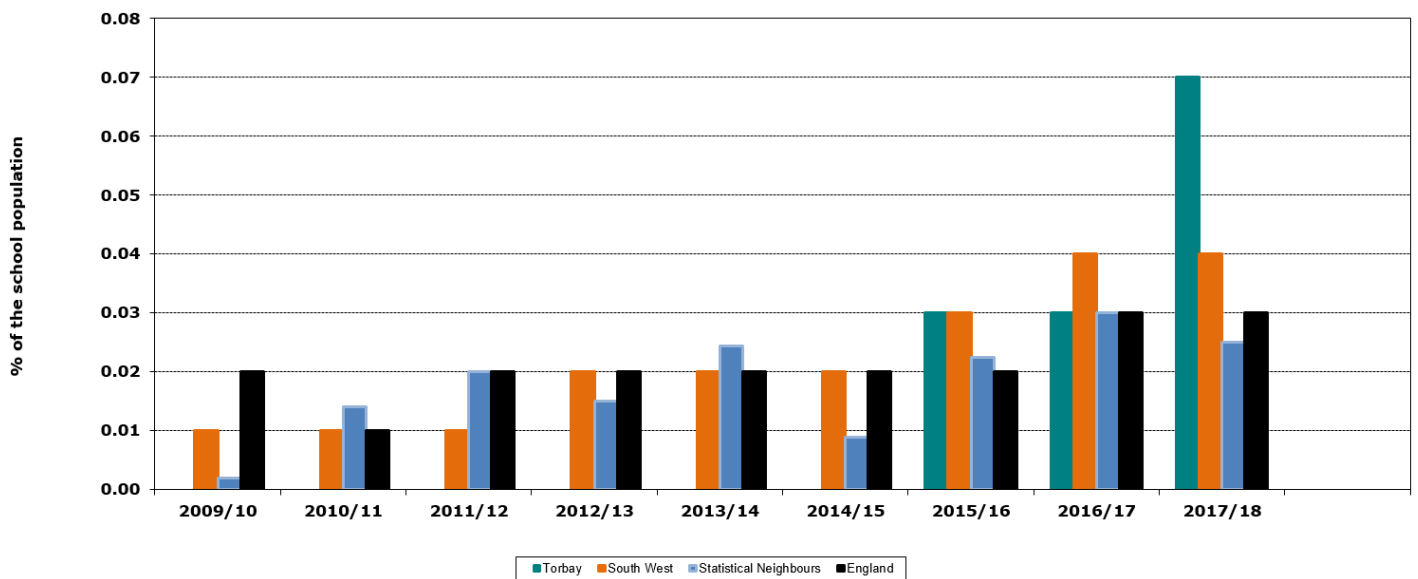
There is some doubt as to the accuracy of the return from some schools around fixed term exclusion. There is a requirement for this data to be collected termly. Some primary schools seem to have been unaware of this. To resolve this, business support staff have been approaching all schools individually.

Historical Data, Compared to National and Statistical Neighbours Exclusion Rates 2017-18 from Census data

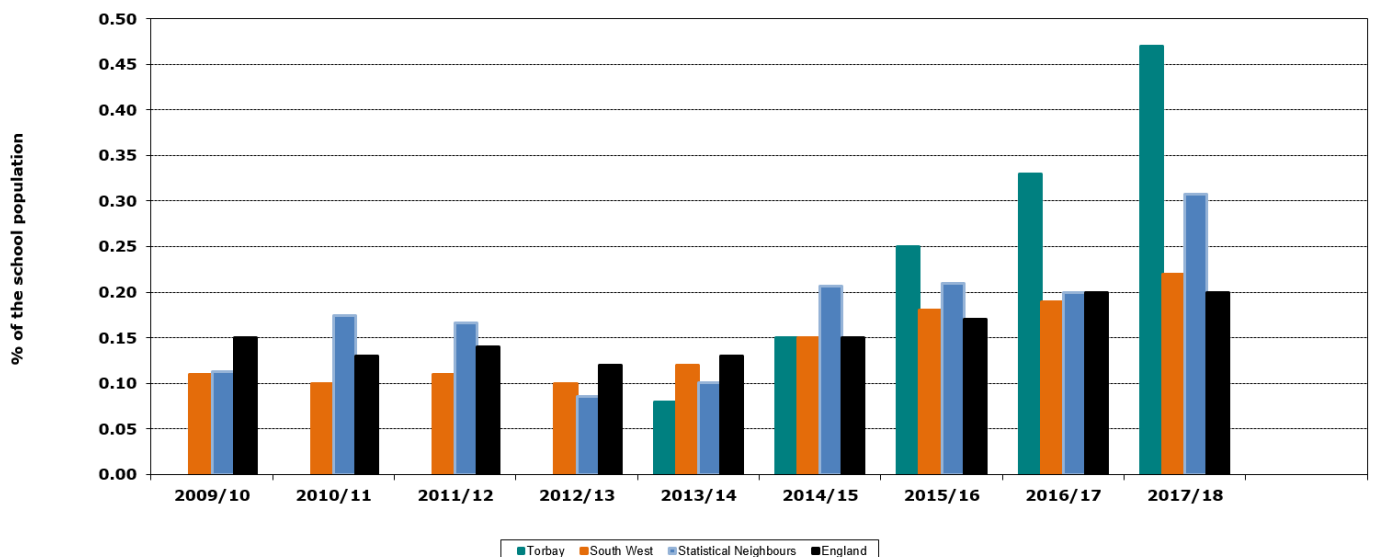
	Primary					Secondary			
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ENGLAND	0.03	1.40	0.62	0.44		0.20	10.13	4.71	0.46
SOUTH WEST	0.04	1.77	0.74	0.42		0.22	11.19	4.91	0.44
Devon	0.05	1.72	0.75	0.44		0.19	9.11	3.97	0.44
Redcar and Cleveland	0.00	0.91	0.36	0.40		0.72	50.51	11.40	0.23
Blackpool	0.00	2.08	1.06	0.51		0.64	19.41	8.61	0.44
Wigan	0.01	1.41	0.64	0.46		0.18	8.84	4.44	0.50
North East Lincolnshire	0.04	1.59	0.77	0.48		0.41	12.94	6.90	0.53
Rotherham	0.01	1.66	0.74	0.45		0.19	17.40	5.80	0.33
Telford and Wrekin	0.03	2.12	0.85	0.40		0.14	23.26	6.04	0.26
Norfolk	0.07	2.61	1.00	0.38		0.36	11.02	4.72	0.43
Southend-on-Sea	0.01	0.64	0.31	0.48		0.12	7.92	3.85	0.49
Isle of Wight	0.02	1.49	0.59	0.40		0.15	11.92	5.21	0.44
Plymouth	0.06	1.05	0.43	0.41		0.16	14.24	6.21	0.44
Stat Neighbour Average	0.03	1.56	0.68	0.43		0.31	17.75	6.32	0.36
Torbay	0.07	3.08	1.17	0.38		0.47	10.20	5.17	0.51

	Special					All		
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ENGLAND	0.07	12.34	4.90	0.40		0.10	5.08	2.33
SOUTH WEST	0.09	16.43	6.14	0.37		0.12	5.91	2.56
Devon	0.09	11.27	4.98	0.44		0.11	4.79	2.09
Redcar and Cleveland	0.00	22.22	8.99	0.40		0.27	19.83	4.64
Blackpool	0.00	1.16	0.93	0.80		0.22	8.15	3.71
Wigan	0.00	6.41	3.99	0.62		0.08	4.35	2.16
North East Lincolnshire	0.00	6.16	3.81	0.62		0.17	5.71	3.00
Rotherham	0.14	0.58	0.58	1.00		0.09	8.11	2.82
Telford and Wrekin	0.00	1.04	0.87	0.83		0.07	10.39	2.88
Norfolk	0.00	0.94	0.65	0.69		0.19	5.94	2.48
Southend-on-Sea	0.00	20.71	7.50	0.36		0.05	4.24	2.01
Isle of Wight	0.00	6.65	4.75	0.71		0.08	6.05	2.65
Plymouth	0.16	20.65	9.16	0.44		0.10	7.04	3.05
Stat Neighbour Average	0.03	8.65	4.12	0.48		0.13	7.98	2.94
Torbay	0.19	40.71	11.26	0.28		0.25	7.15	3.16

Primary Permanent Exclusions from school as a percentage of the school population



Secondary Permanent Exclusions from school as a % of the school population

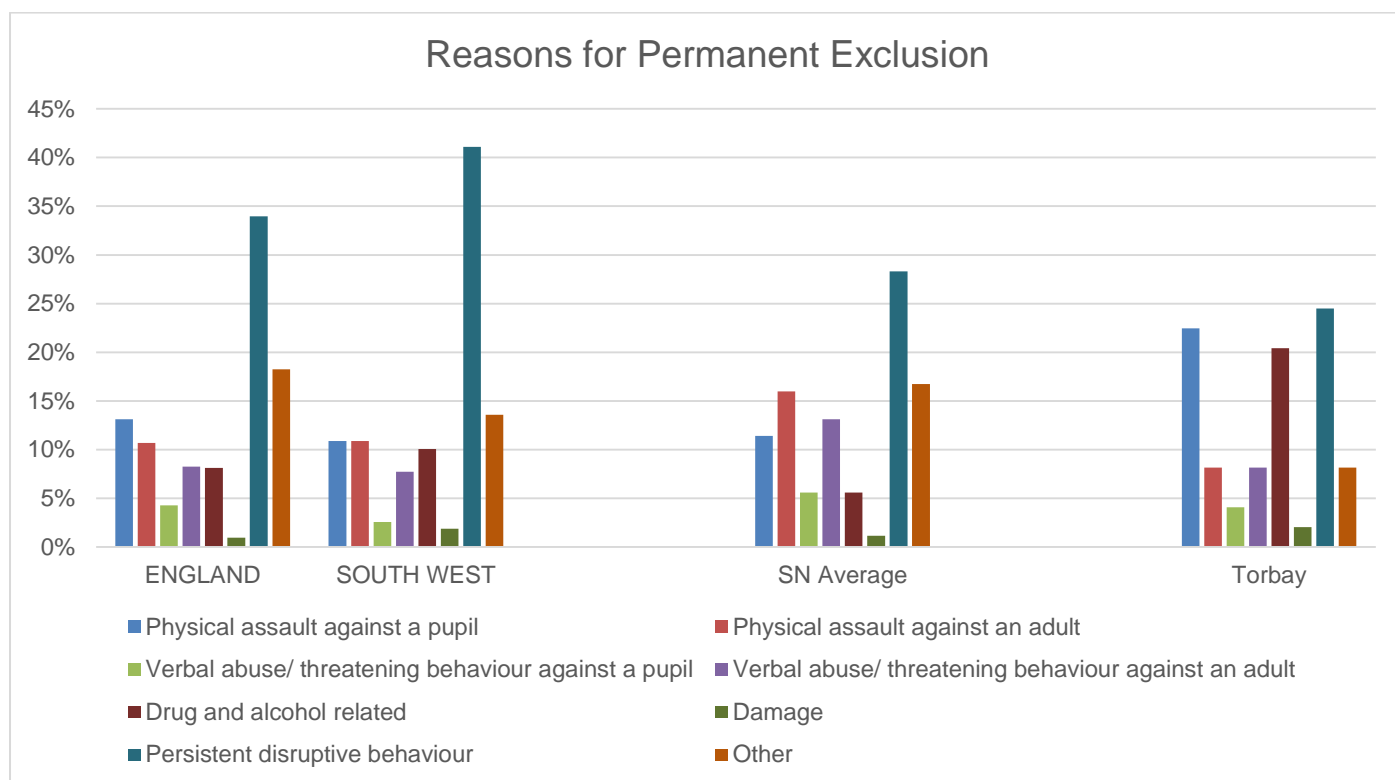


In both, Primary and Secondary phases, the rate of permanent exclusions has risen faster than for National, Regional or Statistical Neighbours.

This has taken Torbay from a position of being one of the lowest excluding areas to a significantly higher level of exclusion than would be anticipated.

This is against a background of zero exclusion from the Special Schools and Alternative Provision despite Torbay having significantly greater than usual provision in these areas.

Reasons for Exclusion



At 22% the number of exclusions for peer on peer assault is of concern.

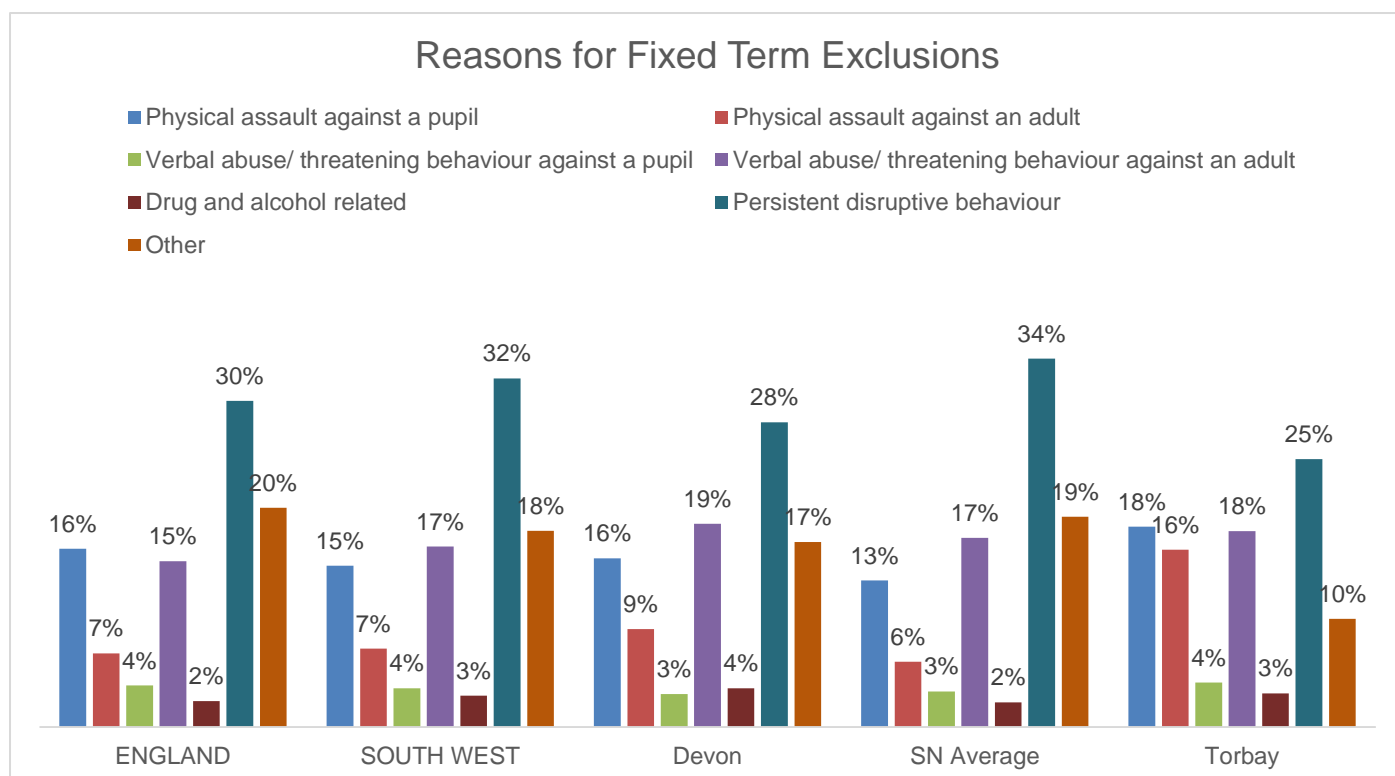
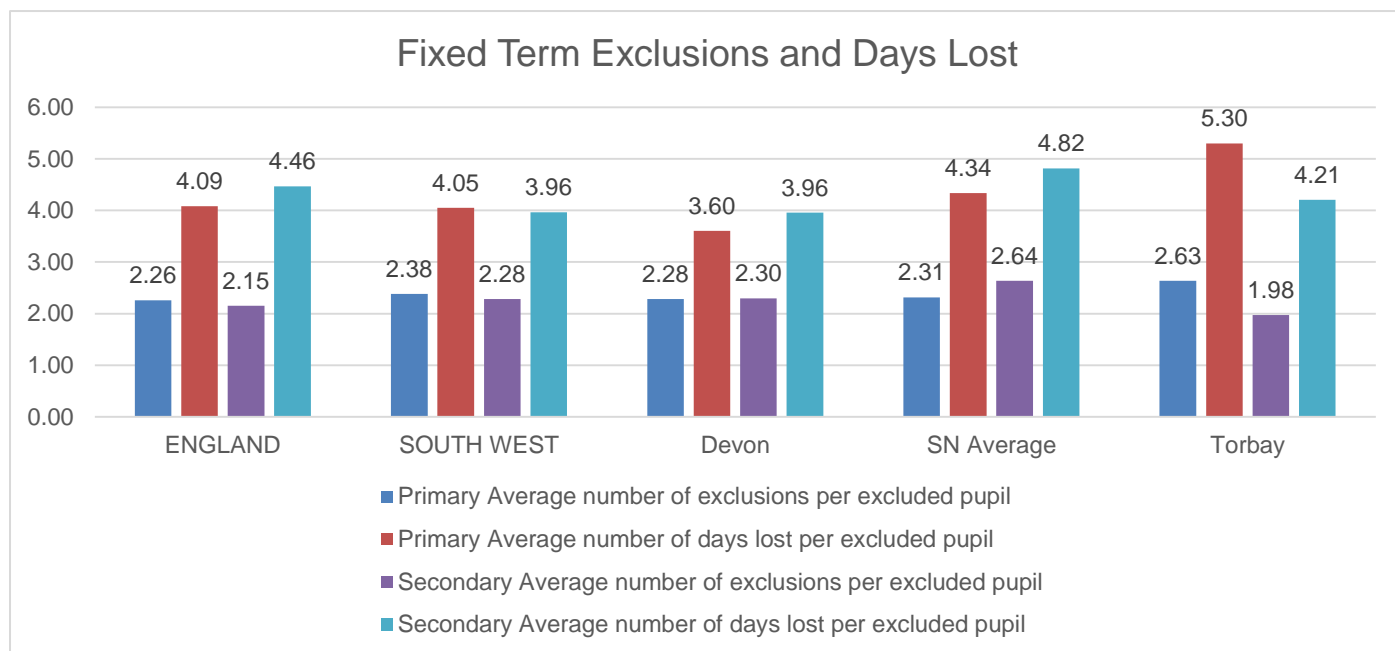
Equally 20% of exclusions being for Drug and Alcohol related events is unusually high compared to all areas and particularly stat neighbour levels of 6%.

Exclusions for assaults and verbal abuse of adults are significantly below those for the region and statistical neighbours.

The questions remain from last year;

1. If 22% of exclusions are for assaults on peers, why are there no exclusions for bullying?
2. What is the multi-agency response to violence between children and young people?
3. Are zero tolerance drug and alcohol exclusions the best response to this issue? ACPO /DfE guidance would suggest not

Fixed term (FTE)

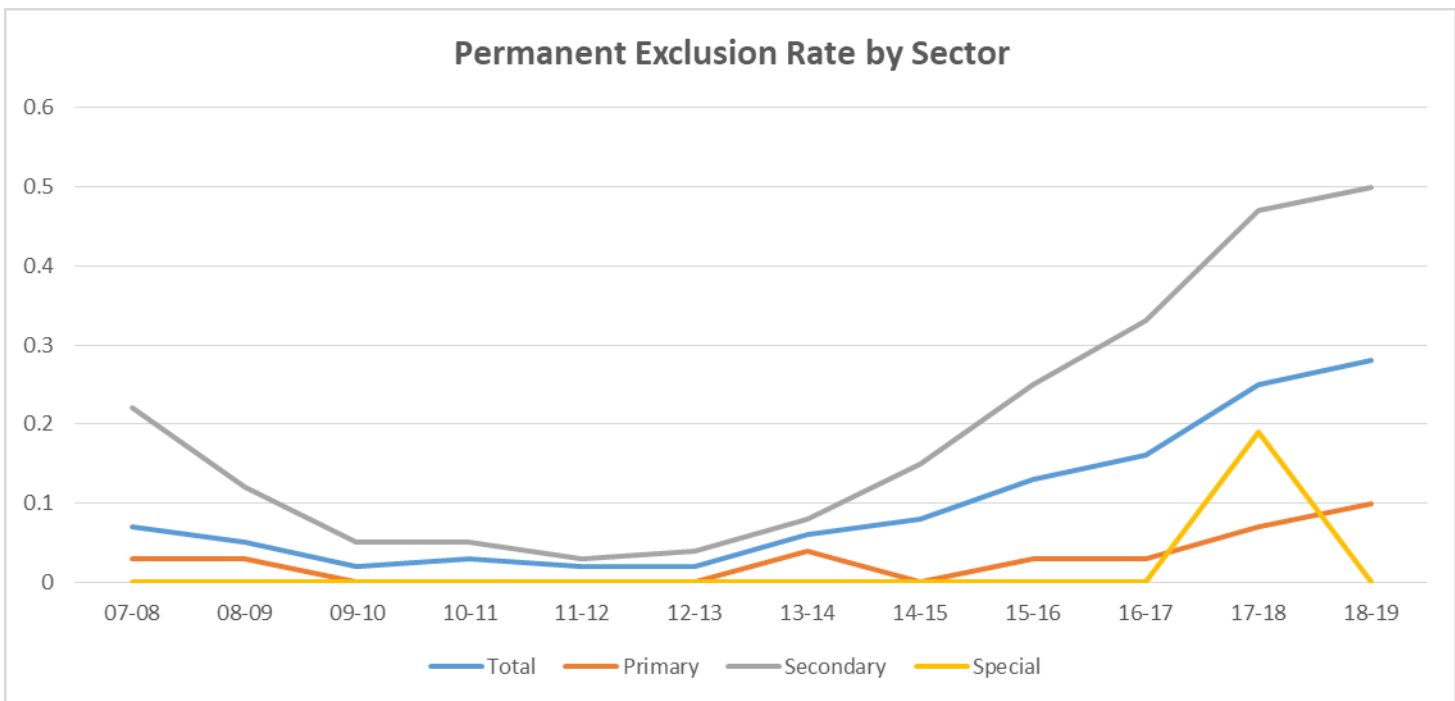


Fixed Term Exclusions for Persistent Disruptive behaviour are at 25% compared to a Stat Neighbour average of 34%.

Exclusions for Drug and Alcohol related events are at the SN average which does not seem to correlate with the spike in permanent exclusions for the same reasons.

Fixed term exclusions for physical assault on an adult are at almost 3 times the level of those for Stat Neighbours.

2018 – 2019 Permanent Exclusions



Year	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19
Total	0.07	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.08	0.13	0.16	0.25	0.28
Primary	0.03	0.03	0	0	0	0	0.04	0	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.1
Secondary	0.22	0.12	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.15	0.25	0.33	0.47	0.5
Special	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.19	0

The rate of permanent exclusion across the period is of concern. Key headlines are:

1. Special schools continue to work across the sector to prevent exclusion by working closely with partner agencies and making reasonable adjustments to curriculum, timetable and EHCPs.
2. Secondary schools have made some, limited, progress in avoiding permanent exclusions. This has been undermined in sector wide figures by six exclusions of students educated in Devon and by the exceptionally high exclusion rate in one school.

	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19
Primary	3	2	6	4	7	11
Secondary	10	14	23	27	43	44
Special	0	0	3	1	1	0
Total	13	16	32	32	51	55

The number of permanent exclusions across the secondary sector has risen.

Significant factors in this have been:

- An increase in Devon school exclusions for children resident in Torbay.
- 3 exclusions from SDHS compared to zero last year.
- A continuing high exclusion rate from one school.

	Aut1	Aut2	Spr1	Spr2	Sum1	Sum2	Total
Brixham	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
CFGS					1		1
Coombeshead					1		1
Dawlish	1			1			2
KEVICC			1	1		1	3
PCSA	1	1				1	3
SDHS	2	1					3
Spires		2	1	1		2	6
StCM	1	3	3	3		1	11
TA	1		4			3	8
Total	7	8	10	7	3	9	44

Assault on a Peer	Assault on Staff	Bullying	Carrying a Weapon	Drugs and Alcohol	Other (Vandalism)	Other (Refusal to Follow Instruction)	Persistent Disruption	Verbal Abuse of Staff	Total
9	6	1	2	10	1	1	13	1	44

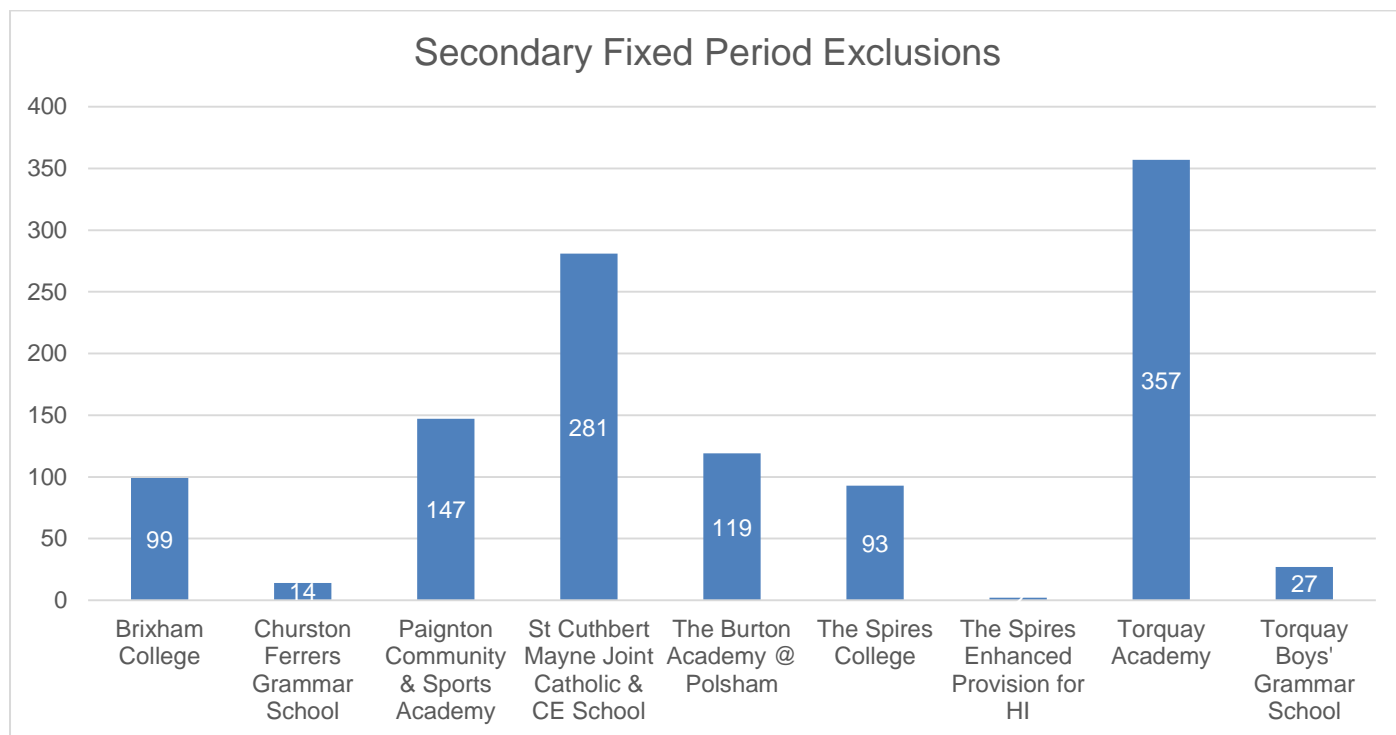
	Aut2	Spr1	Spr2	Sum1	Sum2	Total
Cockington	1					1
Curledge St		1				1
Ellacombe			1	1		2
Hayes					1	1
Homelands	1					1
Kings Ash		1	1	1		3
OLOTA	1					1
St M-Clitherow				1		1
Total	3	2	2	3	1	11

Primary schools excluded 9 times for persistent disruption and twice for assaulting staff.

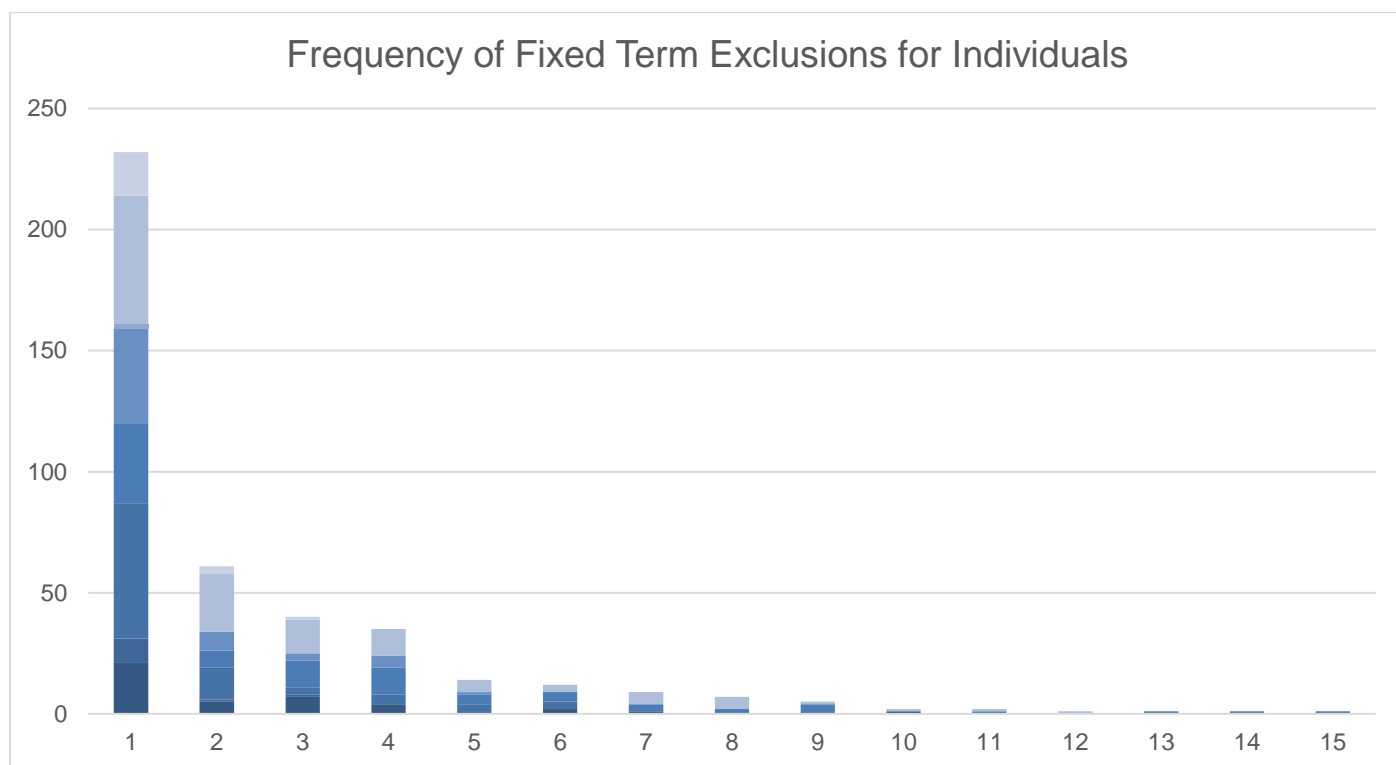
It should be noted that the majority of primary schools do not use permanent exclusion and, of those that do, only 2 have used it repeatedly.

The majority of exclusions in the primary phase were students on school support. Several of these have gone on to be assessed for an EHCP.

Fixed Term Exclusions 2018/19

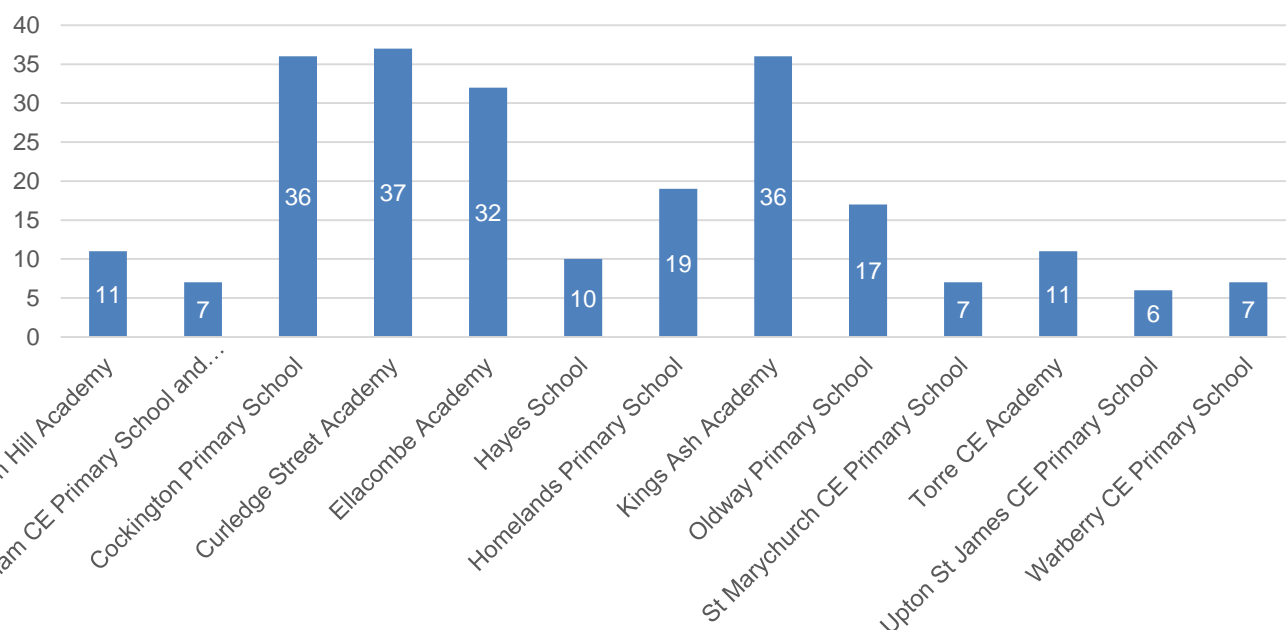


The total number of days lost through fixed term exclusion in the secondary phase was 1757. Two secondary schools individually used fixed term exclusion more frequently than the entire primary sector.



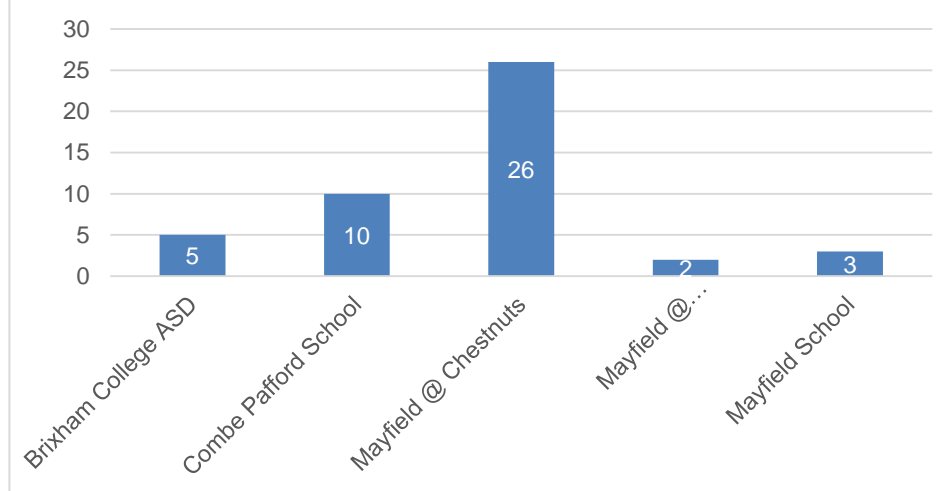
For most individuals a single episode of fixed term exclusion seems to be effective and not repeated. It seems to rapidly become less effective as a response beyond 4 occasions but has been used for some individuals on 15 separate occasions.

Primary Schools with More Than 5 Pupils with Fixed Period Exclusions



The total number of days lost through fixed period exclusion in the primary phase was 256.

Fixed Period Exclusion for Special Schools



The total number of days lost through fixed period exclusion in the special schools was 46.

Term One 2019/20

Fixed Term Exclusions

Base	W	X	Z	Grand Total
All Saints Babbacombe CE Primary School			1	1
Brixham CE Primary School and Nursery	4		1	5
Collaton St Mary CE Primary School	3	2		5
Ellacombe Academy	7	4		11
Hayes School		2	2	4
Homelands Primary School			5	5
Kings Ash Academy	7		6	13
Oldway Primary School	2			2
Priory Roman Catholic Primary School	1			1
Roselands Primary School	1			1
St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Primary School	3			3
St Margaret's Academy			1	1
Torre CE Academy			2	2
Upton St James CE Primary School	5		5	10
Warberry CE Primary School	1		3	4
Watcombe Primary School	2		1	3
Grand Total	36	8	27	71

These figures are presented without commentary as they are not for a full year.

It should be noted that they represent a significant reduction in the levels of FTE year on year.

Base	E	K	N	Grand Total
Brixham College	3	4	11	18
Paignton Community & Sports Academy	4	11	26	41
St Cuthbert Mayne Joint Catholic & CE School	12	32	63	107
The Spires College	13	8	26	47
Torquay Academy	5	30	38	73
Torquay Boys' Grammar School			7	7
Grand Total	37	85	171	293

Permanent Exclusions

	Assault on an Adult	Persistent Disruption	Grand Total
Cockington	1		1
Ellacombe		1	1
St Margarets		1	1
Grand Total	1	2	3

	Assault on a Peer	Assault on an Adult	Drugs and Alcohol	Persistent Disruption	Threatening a Peer	Grand Total
Brixham			1			1
Brunel		2				2
PCSA				1		1
Spires					1	1
StCM	1		1	2		4
TA	1		1			2
Grand Total	2	2	3	3	1	11

Actions to Date

1. LA Officers have worked with Police to share guidance around responses to Drug and Alcohol events.
2. LA Officers have used the October census to identify the number of places under the 3% for reintegration.

Recommended Actions

1. The contents of this report are noted and shared through Schools Forum, TASH and TAPS.
2. LA Officers work with TASH and TAPS to recognise schools with low levels of exclusion.
3. The work of the peer groups focusses on the actions schools take when reintegrating a pupil from FTE.
4. Recognise a concern that, given the already high level of exclusion, recent announcements regarding central government support for excluding schools have the capacity to generate further demand in an already pressured system.
5. Officers work through the Early help Review for CYP subject to repeated fixed term or permanent exclusion to ensure that there is an Early Help/IYSS or YOT offer.

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