

Appendix 2

Exclusions

Year	Fixed Term Exclusions			Permanent Exclusions		
	Primary	Secondary	Total	Primary	Secondary	Total
2006/07	1141	12036	13177	46	297	343
2007/08	1260	11940	13200	30	280	310
2008/09	1249	10262	13189	32	174	260
2009/10	1576	11178	12754	35	167	202

Source: DfE (formerly DCSF) Annual Statistical First Release

The overall trend of both fixed term exclusions (down 3.21%) and permanent exclusions (down 41.1%) over the 4 year period has been very encouraging, and is a better rate of improvement than the national trend. This has particularly been the case in maintained secondary schools.

This positive analysis however does mask some significant issues for Kent's schools, whose use of exclusion has remained consistently higher than both the national average and the majority of the LA's statistical neighbour authorities. There has also been an increase in the use of fixed term exclusion in primary schools.