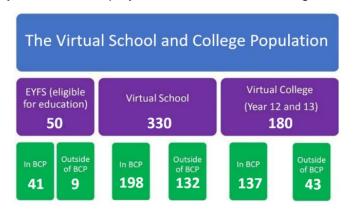
## **Virtual School Head's Report**

## 2022-2023



The Virtual School aims to support children and young people in care, those previously in care, or with a social worker, to enable you to make the very best of your education. We work with other people who support you to ensure you achieve your full potential in education, maintain a high level of attendance and support you to enter employment, education or training when they leave school.







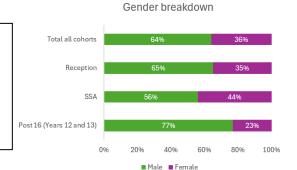
UASC are 10% of the total population and 39% of the Year 12 and 13.

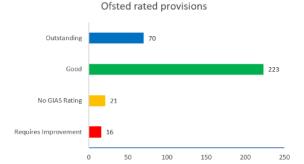
in care by year group.



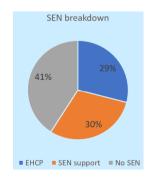
We worked with 3 young people that were pregnant and 2 parents last academic year.

There is a higher percentage of children in care that are male (64%) compared to female (36%). There are more males at Post 16 and this is due to the male Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Seeking Children (UASC) cohort.





The Virtual School believes that all children should have access to high quality education. Therefore, children in care should be attending schools that hold the Ofsted rating of "Good" or "Outstanding".

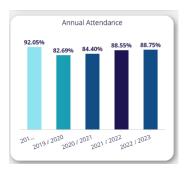


The percentage of children in school with special educational needs in 2022-23 was 59%.

- There were 29% of children with Education and Health Care Plans (EHCP).
- There were 30% of children receiving SEND support in schools.

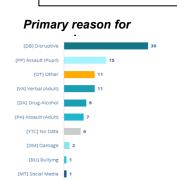
For the fourth consecutive year, there have been no permanent exclusions for children in care.

Wherever possible the Virtual Schools encourage schools to avoid suspensions.



Attendance for children attending school in 2022-23 was 88.75%. This shows that attendance has continued to improve over the last 4 years.

The average attendance for CIC, age 16-17, attending Further Education provisions was 85%.



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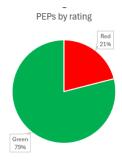
Year on year of number of CIC with at least one suspension trends



### 2022-2023 At a Glance

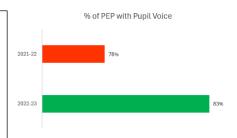
#### Good **Improving Not Yet Good Enough** No permanent exclusions 79% of CIC are progressing onto The absence rate for children was 100% of children had a PEP Further Education in Year 12 Attendance for CIC, age 16-17, Children who had less than 90% meeting each term. 90% of PEPs contain aspirational attending Further Education attendance (labelled as Persistent absence) is 24.9%. provisions was 85%. education targets. The VS has supported every child 78% PEPs are rated as 'good or 140 suspensions for 48 pupils in who is not accessing a full better' and so the quality of the 38 different schools timetable at a school. plans is improving. 78% of suspensions were for 89% of CIC are attending 'Good' or There have been Improvements in children who have special 'Outstanding' schools. achievement in all areas (Maths, educational needs. Reading and Writing) in KS1 and KS2 age related expectations in 50% of children in Ealy Years (2.5 reading, writing and Maths. years old to Reception year) achieve a 'Good Level of Children achieving expected 80% of CIC (for 12 months) outcomes at KS2has increased by Development' - this is the achieved Year 1 Phonics standard. expected achievement. At KS1, 57% of CIC achieved the 82% of PEPs that were not judged The % of children refusing to attend expected outcomes in Writing. as not meeting a suitable standard school in Year 11 has reduced from 24% of Children who had bene in 24% to 3%. are due to social worker's not care for more than 12 months adding a contribution. There are more children this year achieved Grade 4+ in English and who achieved Grade 5+ in both Attendance of children in Years 10 and 11 is 82.14% Maths and English. 85% of PEPs contain Pupil Voice

## **Quality of Personal Education Plans**



The quality of PEPs has improved in 2022-23.

- 92% of PEPs received a green rating for the contribution from schools. This was an improvement from 88% in 2021-22.
- There has been an increase in the PEPs containing Pupil Voice that shows authentic views following training and use of focused tools by teachers.



## **Pupil Premium Grant Funding Allocation**

PPG is a grant that is provided to support Children in Care in education. In 2022-2023 our total Pupil Premium Plus Grant (PPG+) funding was £783,250

The main use of PPG+ (52%) was given directly to schools to fund intervention work and support. The support needed was identified through PEP meetings for all children.



# In 2023-24, the Virtual School supported Children in Care and Care Leavers to enjoy:

- Jamies Farm Residential programme
- University Visits to Bath and Bristol
- Online Cooking Courses with Leith Kitchen
- Visits to the Military Preparation College in Totton focused on team building, fitness development and future careers
- UASC Football Team and days at the Fty Lab
- Music Summer Project to support freedom of expression and passion for creativity





