

PA31 Individual

Senedd Cymru

Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg

Absenoldeb Disgyblion

Ymateb gan Unigolyn

Welsh Parliament

Children, Young People and Education
Committee

Pupil absence

Evidence from Individual

Record your views against the inquiry's terms of reference, which have been grouped into 5 themes.

1. Reasons

My daughter's absences have been because of bullying by her peers and the subsequent impact on her mental health. She has been targeted because of her sexual orientation by both male and female peers and has been physically attacked on more than one occasion.

2. Risks and consequences

Absence makes it harder to form social bonds that would negate some of the effects of bullying.

3. Impact

My daughter's academic attainment has continued to be high, due to her wanting to continue learning.

4. Effectiveness of policies

Anti bullying policies are ineffective, my daughter was bullied in three primary schools across two counties and is continuing to be bullied in a high school that her primary school peers do not attend. The consequences for bullies are not effective deterrents.

5. Other

N/A