**WBCIR:17511**

**1. Can you please provide me with the total number of all teaching assistant posts – filled or vacant – in maintained schools,  
a) the average salary for a teaching assistant employed by the council in each academic year since 2019/20?  
  
2.  
a) Of those posts, can you tell me how many were vacant at the start of each academic year,  
b) how many became vacant during the course of each academic year,  
c) how many vacancies were filled during the course of each academic year?**

We do not hold this information centrally. Childrens Services emailed all the maintained schools to ask them to complete the FOI. Only 20 out of the 30 schools replied, below is the collated response from the 20 schools

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|  |  | **Academic Year** | |  |  |
| **Question** |  | **2019/20** | **2020/21** | **2021/22** | **2022/23** |
| 1 | Number of TA posts (filled or vacant) | **296** | **337** | **365`** | **365** |
| 2 | The average FTE salary for a TA | **18795-21166** | **19312-21478** | **19650-20043** | **21575-24054** |
| 3 | How many of the TA posts in Q1 were vacant at the start of that academic year? | **6** | **12** | **8** | **12** |
| 4 | How many of the TA posts from Q1 became vacant during the academic year? | **27** | **25** | **30** | **34** |
| 5 | How many of the TA posts from Q1 were filled during the course of each academic year? | **48** | **44** | **50** | **32** |