

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 19th MAY 2025  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 27th MAY 2025**

**Question**

“Will the Minister state what impact, if any, the 2024 above inflation pay award for teachers had on school budgets, and advise whether any analysis has been undertaken to ascertain whether the agreed one percent above inflation pay award will lead to school budget overspends in 2025 and 2026?”

**Answer**

Pay award inflation of 8% in 2024, and 4% for 2025, was fully funded and passed on to the Government of Jersey provided schools in full, and to the fee-paying schools in the normal way at 47% of the Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) for secondaries and 22% for primaries. The fee-paying schools generate sufficient income from school fees to cover the remaining costs not funded by the government

Exceptional additional funding was provided to the fee-paying schools over and above AWPU funding in 2024. This was to support the schools in a period of high inflation.

Therefore, the impact on school budgets was to increase them in accordance with the pay awards and funding mechanisms.

Due to the above, it has not been necessary to carry out any analysis to ascertain whether the pay awards will lead to school budget overspends in 2025 and 2026.

**NOTES**

The value of additional funding to the fee-paying schools in 2024 is set out below. The calculation was based on paying at 100% of AWPU for 8 months (rather than 47%/22%), the remaining 4 months covered by fee increases.

VCP	£	72,801
VCJ	£	147,268
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>220,069</b>
JCP	£	98,468
JCG	£	160,618
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>259,086</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>479,155</b>