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Tēnā koe Edward

**OIA: 1328103 – amount spent on gifted and talented education**

Thank you for your email of 6 May 2024 to the Ministry of Education (the Ministry) requesting the following information:

*Can you please tell me how much was spent on gifted and talented education in New Zealand last year and how much are you spending this year?*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Financial data on gifted education is held according to financial year and the 2022-2023 spend was published on the Ministry's website on 12 December 2023. The response is titled Information in relation to Priority Five, Learning Support Action Plan. You can find the financial figures within 1318502 Appendix A at the following weblink: <https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/information-releases/responses-to-official-information-act-requests/responses-to-official-information-act-requests-2023/>

Therefore, I am refusing the 2022-2023 spent on gifted and talented education under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information is publicly available on the Ministry's website.

The Ministry needs to extend the timeframe for responding to your request for the 2023-2024 expenditure, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. You can now expect to receive a response to your request on or before 18 June 2024, which is an extension of 10 working days.

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe for responding to this request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

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