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Re: School injuries costing £90,000 (East Anglian Daily Times 11 August 2011)

It was refreshing to read a sensible debate about claims injuries sustained in schools.

Essex County Council should be applauded for recognising the need to avoid needless injury and using commonsense to reduce suffering and therefore the cost of claims.

It is important that misunderstandings about compensation claims are dispelled, so that schools can operate without fear of litigation and children can enjoy their school years without needless injury. Everyday mishaps are unfortunate, but negligence is avoidable and can be damaging.

Essex County Council has shown that good health and safety management does not need to be onerous and makes sound sense.

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