

## **The Sunday Post**

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Re: Peril in the playground (page 5)

Misguided perceptions about compensation claims are generated in part by this persistent myth that every grazed knee has a price tag attached. If a claim is without merit, there are checks and balances within the system which will prove it and the claim will fail.

It surely cannot be difficult to understand that a child should be able to go to school without being injured. But it is very difficult to understand how anyone can sincerely describe children being able to claim compensation for needless injuries as a 'scandal'.

Successive reports have found that there is no such thing as a so-called 'compensation culture' and that it is more a perception than a reality. Constant unfounded criticism of claimants, and councils for rightly paying damages to genuinely injured people, is unfair and belittles the needs and rights of people who have been needlessly injured.

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