



### **Bradford Telegraph and Argus**

*Re: Dismay as claims soar for injuries in schools (24 February 2014)*

Misunderstandings about the personal injury system lead some people to believe mistakenly that every bump and bruise has a price tag attached. Accidents happen and children will get into scrapes, but it is only right that a parent should be able to pursue redress when their child has been injured because of negligence which could and should have been avoided.

The council is right to defend itself if it believes that a claim is without merit, but there are many reasons why a case might not succeed. Just because a case does not result in compensation certainly does not mean that the claimant and his representatives were wrong to pursue it or were acting dishonestly.

The real issue here is that children are being injured at school. I hope that lessons are learned and injuries are not repeated.

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