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The latest figures show a 6 per cent rise in pupils under five excluded for violence compared with the previous year.

The analysis shows that 2,610 children aged between three and five were suspended for a fixed term: 1,650 for assaults on adults and 960 for assaults on classmates.

Thirty of them were just three years old.

The question: more and more children were arriving at school incapable of socialising with other children?