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Date	Title	Type	Document Details
3 June 2019	T Levels: The Next Level branding	Press release	New T Level branding unveiled to boost awareness of the new courses ahead of the 2020 rollout.
3 June 2019	Expert Group launched with £4.6 million investment in EdTech	Press release	Paralympic swimmer Baron Chris Holmes chairs group to improve use of education technology, including accessibility and inclusion in the classroom
3 June 2019	Key stage 4 and multi-academy trust performance 2018 (revised)	National Statistics	<p>Statistical release providing information on the achievements in GCSE examinations and other qualifications of young people in academic year 2017 to 2018.</p> <p>This typically covers those starting the academic year aged 15.</p> <p>It also includes data broken down by pupil characteristics including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gender • ethnicity • eligibility for free school meals • disadvantage • special educational needs (SEN) • English as a first language <p>For the first time, this publication also includes achievements of young people in multi-academy trusts.</p> <p>The information is taken from data collated for the 2018 secondary school performance tables.</p>
4 June 2019	Improvement notices and directions	Collection	Improvement notices and directions about children's services issued to councils by the Department for Education. These notices and directions are issued to councils due to 'poor' or 'inadequate' performance.
4 June 2019	Open academies, free schools, studio schools and UTCs	Transparency data	<p>These spreadsheets show:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the total number of open academies, free schools, studio schools and UTCs in England • details of schools that are in the process of getting academy status • progress schools are making towards converting to academy status • sponsored academy projects in development and the agreed sponsor <p>This spreadsheet is updated monthly as more academies, free schools, studio schools and UTCs open.</p>

4 June 2019	<u>Drive to unleash potential of North East's youngsters stepped-up</u>	Press release	Government encourages schools across the North East to express interest in proposals to improve transitions from primary to secondary school.
6 June 2019	<u>Strategic college improvement fund pilot: self-evaluations</u>	Research and analysis	Colleges in receipt of funding from the strategic college improvement fund were required to design and produce self-evaluations to allow them to learn from the improvement activities they had implemented.
6 June 2019	<u>Check early years qualifications</u>	Guidance	Find out if a person's qualifications allow them to work in an early years setting, and if they can be included in staff:child ratios.
6 June 2019	<u>Education provision: children under 5 years of age, January 2018</u>	National Statistics	Data on the provision of education for children under 5 years of age, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the number of children benefitting from the universal and extended funded early education entitlement • providers of funded early years education
6 June 2019	<u>Early years foundation stage profile results: 2017 to 2018</u>	National Statistics	This publication covers the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • percentage of children achieving each assessment rating in the early learning goals • percentage of children achieving at least the expected level in the prime areas of learning and in the specific areas of literacy and mathematics (a good level of development) • average total points score across all the early learning goals (the supporting measure) • percentage of children achieving at least the expected level within the communication and language, and literacy areas of learning The additional tables provide national and local-authority-level information on EYFSP attainment by pupil characteristics, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gender • ethnicity • eligibility for free school meals • special educational needs • English as a first language • month of birth • deprived areas

6 June 2019	<u>Colleges benefit from multi-million fund to drive up standards</u>	Press release	Apprenticeships and Skills Minister Anne Milton announces the third and final round of colleges to receive funding from the Strategic College Improvement Fund.
6 June 2019	<u>Initial teacher training (ITT) bursary: funding manual</u>	Guidance	<p>These funding guides provide information to schools and ITT providers on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bursary and scholarship rates • subject, qualification and candidate eligibility • how payments are made • assurance procedures <p>The Department for Education funds training bursaries and scholarships for trainees on eligible ITT courses in England.</p> <p>Bursary amounts will vary depending on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • teaching subject • degree class • highest relevant academic qualification <p>Scholarships are awarded by the relevant professional body for the subject.</p>
7 June 2019	<u>School responsibilities around school food: a letter to schools</u>	Correspondence	<p>This letter for all schools draws their attention to the report from the <u>Children’s Future Food Inquiry</u>, which explored the food situation of disadvantaged children across the UK.</p> <p>The letter highlights the following issues which were raised in the report, and encourages schools to consider whether they are doing all they can in these areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a positive lunchtime experience • avoiding stigma about entitlement to free school meals • access to free drinking water
7 June 2019	<u>Memorandum of understanding: Baker Dearing Educational Trust and DfE</u>	Policy paper	<p>Schools operating as <u>university technical colleges</u> (UTCs) must have a licence agreement with <u>Baker Dearing Educational Trust</u> as the licence holder of the UTC model, trademarks and brand.</p> <p>The memorandum of understanding is between Baker Dearing Educational Trust, as holders of the UTC licence, and DfE.</p> <p>It:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sets out the principles and working arrangements between the trust and DfE

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7 June 2019	<u>Free schools and UTCs: successful applications</u>	Transparency data	<p>Details of all schools in the pre-opening stage of the free school programme, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • type of school • age group served • local authority • regional schools commissioner (RSC) region <p>There are many different types of free school, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • primary schools • secondary schools • all-through schools • 16- to 19-year-olds schools • special free schools • alternative provision free schools <p>There are also a small number of maths schools. These are specialist free schools for the most mathematically able 16- to 19-year-olds.</p>
7 June 2019	<u>Letters to academy trusts about poor performance</u>	Collection	DfE letters to academy trusts about poor or inadequate performance or weaknesses in safeguarding, governance or financial management.