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# Weekly Education News and Insight

A round up of national education news and DfE insight.



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# National Education News

A round up of national education news from various sources

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## Coronavirus: 'Chaos and confusion' over open schools

A lack of clarity about pupil and staff safety amid the coronavirus epidemic is putting teachers under "intolerable pressure", a union leader has said.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-51910835>



## Coronavirus: 'Close schools now,' demands NEU

Union calls on government to close schools 'at least for some time and at least in some areas'.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.tes.com/news/coronavirus-close-schools-now-demands-neu>



## Shutting schools would reduce coronavirus transmission – expert

A leading scientist behind the modelling of the spread of the coronavirus has said that shutting schools would reduce the transmission of the disease, as pressure grows on the UK government to introduce closures.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2020/mar/17/shutting-schools-would-reduce-coronavirus-transmission-expert>



## Will UK schools close over coronavirus?

Many countries are closing schools as part of their efforts to limit the spread of coronavirus.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-51643556>



## The risk protection arrangement (RPA) for schools

How schools can join the risk protection arrangement (RPA) instead of commercial insurance, what it covers and where they can get free professional advice.

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## School improvement support

Professional development and support to help schools develop their leadership, staff and curriculum, so they can improve their results and performance.

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## Get support from your local computing hub

Computing hubs offer local, tailored support to schools and colleges, to improve the teaching of computing and increase participation in computer science.

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## Government advises schools and colleges to cancel overseas trips

Schools and colleges are being advised against all overseas trips for children under 18 until further notice. This is one of the latest measures announced as part of the Government's coronavirus response.

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## EYFS staff:child ratios - DfE approved qualifications

Lists of qualifications that meet the DfE criteria for counting in the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework staff:child ratios.

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## Statistics: 16 to 19 attainment

Statistics on the attainment of 16- to 19-year-olds in England, including exam results and performance tables.

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## Completion and attainment ready reckoner for 16 to 18

The national average attainment for each qualification included in the completion and attainment measure.

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## Letters to academy trusts about poor performance

DfE letters to academy trusts about poor or inadequate performance or weaknesses in safeguarding, governance or financial management.

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