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Weekly Education News and Insight

A round up of national education news and DfE insight.



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Ofsted boss rejects calls to pause school inspections

Stopping or preventing school inspections in England would be against “children’s best interests”, the chief inspector of Ofsted has said.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-65055779>



Schools’ Stem diversity problem needs systemic solution, say MPs

Report finds students from black Caribbean backgrounds in England ‘acutely’ underrepresented in Stem.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2023/mar/24/schools-stem-diversity-problem-needs-systemic-solution-say-mps-england>



Plummeting pupil numbers turn tables on place planning

Over 1.1m places have been created since 2010, but pupil numbers are expected to drop by over 900,000 in the next decade

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/plummeting-pupil-numbers-turn-tables-on-place-planning/>



7 NFER stats revealing how abysmal teacher recruitment is getting worse

New report shows primary applications have plunged, with 14 of 17 secondary subjects on track to underrecruit

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<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/7-nfer-stats-revealing-how-abysmal-teacher-recruitment-is-getting-worse/>



Improvement notices and directions

Improvement notices and directions about children's services issued to councils by the Department for Education.

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Common basic data set (CBDS): database

The latest common basic data set (CBDS) and version control log for use by software suppliers developing management information systems.

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National Leaders of Governance for further education: national leaders

National Leaders of Governance (NLGs) carry out college improvement work by supporting governors and clerks to improve governance.

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Government bans unregulated accommodation for young people in care

All supported accommodation providers for looked after 16- and 17-year-olds will be required to register with Ofsted and meet standards from October 2023

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Statistics: pupil attendance and absence

Fortnightly pupil attendance statistics and autumn, combined autumn and spring, and annual pupil absence statistics.

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Statistics: school capacity

Statistics on the numbers of filled and unfilled primary and secondary school places in England, including forecasts of pupil numbers.

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