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At Last, A Round To Us – But The Fight Isn't Over



Michael Gove has admitted defeat, at least for the time being, on removing the limits to our hours and days of work, making us work on Saturdays, covering routinely for teacher absences and losing our PPA time. He asked for all of these things, but the School Teachers' Review Body said "No".

A Battle Won, But Certainly Not The War

But plenty of other bad things are still happening:

- Many teachers suffer intolerable levels of workload and unacceptably long working hours.
- Performance management is still to determine pay – having replaced automatic progression on the pay spine.
- There is still no right to transfer your pay level when you change schools.
- Our pension contributions have soared, with another increase coming this Easter – and so has the age at which we will be able to claim our full pension – 68 or later.
- And the Review Body did agree that the list of 21 tasks that teachers currently do not have to do should be removed. When these tasks were

removed from a teacher's duties the DfE said they were a waste of a professional's time – they still are.

Gove needs to engage with teachers in meaningful discussions about these central issues. He has so far refused to do this. That is why the NUT is calling on all its members, across the country, to

Strike on 26th March

We must keep up the pressure to force him to the negotiating table and to persuade him to reverse the policies which are damaging our profession and damaging education.



Leaflet Bradford City Centre on Saturday 15th March

Getting our arguments across to the public is a very important part of our campaign. Join us if you can at 11am. We will set up a stall near Waterstone's bookshop.

Come to the General Meeting on Tuesday 11th March

Join the discussion about the NUT's campaign and help to plan future events. And enjoy a FREE CURRY (or other meal) with colleagues afterwards. The meeting will be held at The International Restaurant, Morley Street from 5-6.30 pm (with tea and coffee from 4.30).

Join the NUT, the largest teachers' union. Just ring the Joining Hotline on 0845300 1669 or 020 7380 6369
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LESSON PLANNING LATEST GUIDANCE FROM OFSTED



For NOTICEBOARD display

Q1: Does Ofsted have a model lesson?

A1: No

Q2: Does Ofsted mark lessons down because of a lack of independent learning by pupils?

A2: No

Q3: Does Ofsted expect to see a lesson plan for every lesson it inspects?

A3: No

Q4: Is there a percentage of lessons that have to be outstanding for teaching overall to be outstanding, and is it true that a school has to have at least 66% of teaching judged good for teaching to be judged good?

A4: No and No

Q5: Must a teacher meet all of the criteria in the 'outstanding' grade descriptor for teaching to be judged outstanding?

A5: No.

Q6: Must a school, or each lesson where an observation of teaching occurs, meet all of the criteria in the 'outstanding' grade descriptor for teaching to be evaluated outstanding?

A6: No.

Q7: Does Ofsted require governors to undertake lesson observations to make sure they know how good teaching is in the school?

A7: No.

Q8: Do all pupils have to make a specific number of points progress for the school to be judged good?

A8: No

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