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# Weekly Education News and Insight

A round up of national education news and DfE insight.



# National Education News

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## Children's mental health: Record number referred for specialist care

More children than ever have been referred to the NHS for the most serious mental health problems, the latest figures for England show.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-60197150>



## Areas with weak education targeted for levelling up

Government plans would see 55 local-authority areas in England with weak education offered extra investment.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-60213729>



## Fewer than 1 in 100 schools affected by 'levelling-up' academies plan

DfE wants 'successive' 'requires improvement' and 'inadequate' schools moved into MATs.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://schoolswatch.co.uk/fewer-than-1-in-100-schools-affected-by-levelling-up-academies-plan/>



## DfE relaxes EYFS class mixing rules amid staff shortages

Government says EYFS class staff to pupil ratio rules can be 'temporarily' changed as Covid is an 'exceptional circumstance'.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.tes.com/magazine/news/eyfs/dfe-relaxes-eyfs-class-mixing-rules-amid-staff-shortages>



## 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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## Attendance in education and early years settings during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic

A summary of attendance in education settings up to Thursday 3 February 2022.

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## Statistics at DfE

The Department for Education publishes official statistics on education and children.

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## Package to transform education and opportunities for most disadvantaged

Skills, schools and families at the heart of government plans to improve public services and level up left behind areas.

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## School Rebuilding Programme

Information about the School Rebuilding Programme including how responsible bodies can nominate a school.

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## Alternative provision: year 11 transition funding

Sets out the financial support available to alternative provision (AP) schools and colleges to support current year 11 students into post-16 education.

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