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Weekly Education News and Insight

A round up of national education news and DfE insight.



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Calming children's worries before new schools

What will the teacher be like? Where are the toilets? Are the other children nice? These are some of the key questions for children starting school.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-66668545>



RAAC: Nick Gibb clarifies DfE funding for closed schools

The schools minister claimed RAAC funding guidance had been 'misinterpreted', but then confirmed revenue costs won't be covered.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/raac-nick-gibb-clarifies-dfe-funding-for-closed-schools/>



GCSE results 2023: Grading 'did not disadvantage any student'

This year's approach 'protected' students 'up and down the country', says Ofqual chief.

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/gcse-results-2023-grading-did-not-disadvantage-any-student-saxton/>



Joint targeted area inspections to focus on serious youth violence

Ofsted, CQC, HMICFRS and HMIP have published guidance for the thematic focus on serious youth violence, as part of their programme of joint targeted area inspections (JTAs).

READ THE FULL ARTICLE HERE

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-targeted-area-inspections-to-focus-on-serious-youth-violence>



Buying for schools: find an approved framework agreement

Use a Department for Education (DfE) approved framework agreement to help you buy goods and services for your school.

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Assessment only route to QTS: criteria and supporting advice

Criteria and supporting advice for accredited providers wishing to offer the assessment only route to qualified teacher status (QTS).

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Buying for schools: how to buy what you need

How to get ready to buy things for your school to help you get the best deal and save money.

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Childcare settings receive cash boost as funding rates increase

Nurseries and childminders across the country will be paid more from today for every government-funded hour they provide to parents.

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ICT and computer hardware

Find the right way to buy ICT or computer hardware for your school.

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New guidance for schools impacted by RAAC

New guidance for education settings advises that any space or area with confirmed RAAC should no longer be open without mitigations in place

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