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Ofsted seen as toxic and schools should self-evaluate, says inquiry

Ofsted inspectors should not be in classrooms and the whole system needs “a big change”, an inquiry has said.

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-67449711>



New academy trust descriptors could stifle innovation

Trust boss fears descriptors could become the ‘Ofsted handbook’ of the MAT world.

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<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/new-academy-trust-descriptors-could-stifle-innovation/>



‘More transparent’ Ofsted complaints process gets go ahead

Internal reviews scrapped and new post-inspection calls allowed in changes to speed up process and increase transparency.

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<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/more-transparent-ofsted-complaints-process-gets-go-ahead/>



Hostility between parents and schools has grown since Covid, says Ofsted head

Annual report on England’s schools highlights absenteeism, disruptive behaviour and parental challenges to rules.

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<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2023/nov/23/ofsted-report-england-schools-social-contract-absenteeism-amanda-spielman>

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Lifelong Learning Entitlement (LLE): overview

Find out what the LLE is and how this new post-18 student-finance system will work from 2025.

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More children score full marks in their times tables check

29% of children scored full marks in their Multiplication Table Check in 2023, up from 27% in 2022.

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Initial teacher training (ITT) bursary: funding manual

A training bursary guide for schools and ITT providers.

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Our governance

FDDecision-making, executive and managerial bodies in the Department for Education (DfE).

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Robert Halfon UUK Mental Health conference speech

Higher Education Minister Robert Halfon delivered a speech at the Universities UK conference on mental health in higher education in London on 21 November 2023.

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The risk protection arrangement (RPA) for schools

How public sector schools can join the risk protection arrangement (RPA), an alternative to commercial insurance, which may save time and money.

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