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News from the TES

17th February 2018

Exclusive: Chartered College boss warns government against 'lowering the bar' on teacher entry

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/exclusive-chartered-college-boss-warns-government-against-lowering>

18th February 2018

Grammar school expansion and faith school reforms: Damian Hinds sets out his stall

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/grammar-school-expansion-and-faith-school-reforms-damian-hinds-sets>

19th February 2018

PM to launch review to help 'pupils of all backgrounds gain equal access to university'

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/pm-launch-review-help-pupils-all-backgrounds-gain-equal-access>

Student loans cost teachers £30,000 more than high-flying lawyers

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/student-loans-cost-teachers-ps30000-more-high-flying-lawyers>

Children formerly in care outside England to be prioritised in school admissions

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/children-formerly-care-outside-england-be-prioritised-school>

20th February 2018

Strengthened QTS at risk if academies can opt out, say teacher trainers

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/strengthened-qts-risk-if-academies-can-opt-out-say-teacher-trainers>

Three grammar schools approach DfE about opening 'annexes'

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/three-grammar-schools-approach-dfe-about-opening-annexes>

21st February 2018

Exclusive: Technology could mean the end for GCSEs and A levels, predicts exams chief

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/exclusive-technology-could-mean-end-gcses-and-a-levels-predicts-exams>

Warnings grow that three-year QTS could be 'disastrous' for teacher recruitment

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/warnings-grow-three-year-qts-could-be-disastrous-teacher-recruitment>

News from the TES (continued)

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Warning as fraudsters target schools using fake emails from headteachers

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/warning-fraudsters-target-schools-using-fake-emails-headteachers>

Minister: No MAT boss should get a bigger pay rise than their teachers

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/minister-no-mat-boss-should-get-a-bigger-pay-rise-their-teachers>

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Many GCSE pupils have reading level of a 13-year-old

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/many-gcse-pupils-have-reading-level-a-13-year-old>

DfE fails to run 'fit and proper' checks on all academy leaders

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/dfe-fails-run-fit-and-proper-checks-all-academy-leaders>

The extent of trainee teacher shortage laid bare by DfE research

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/extent-trainee-teacher-shortage-laid-bare-dfe-research>

Senior DfE official: Teacher supply problems 'very severe' and getting worse

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/senior-dfe-official-teacher-supply-problems-very-severe-and-getting>

23rd February 2018

Exclusive: Children in care forced to wait nearly a year for a school place

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/exclusive-children-care-forced-wait-nearly-a-year-a-school-place>

Teacher training providers call on government to scrap skills entry test

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/teacher-training-providers-call-government-scrap-skills-entry-test>

Teachers 'work more overtime than most other professionals in Britain'

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/teachers-work-more-overtime-most-other-professionals-britain>

Are they worth it? DfE orders MATs to justify salaries over £150,000

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/are-they-worth-it-dfe-orders-mats-justify-salaries-over-ps150000>

24th February 2018

Long read: 'Hyper-accountability has broken down trust' – lessons from 15 years at the heart of the exams system

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/long-read-hyper-accountability-has-broken-down-trust-lessons-15-years>

27th February 2018

Exclusive: Recruitment crisis leaves millions for initial teacher training incentives unspent

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/exclusive-recruitment-crisis-leaves-millions-initial-teacher-training>

28th February 2018

Schools to get up to £2,400 for each extra A-level maths student

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/schools-get-ps2400-each-extra-a-level-maths-student>

Teacher training providers must now 'maximise' recruitment to get Ofsted 'outstanding' rating

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/teacher-training-providers-must-now-maximise-recruitment-get-ofsted>

News/Publications from the DfE

19th February 2018

The Prime Minister pledges to look at ways to ensure more people have a genuine choice of high quality technical and academic options

[Prime Minister launches major review of post-18 education](#)

22nd February 2018

An analysis of employment and mobility within the state-sector teacher workforce

[Teachers analysis compendium 3](#)

Changes to professional skills tests will make sure the best and brightest can pursue a career in teaching

[Measures announced to ensure talented trainees get into teaching](#)

28th February 2018

Schools will receive £600 for every additional pupil who takes an advanced maths qualification, helping to ensure Britain has skills for success in the future

[New Advanced Maths Premium can open more doors for young people](#)

Statutory guidance on the criteria that organisations must meet to provide initial teacher training (ITT)

[Initial teacher training \(ITT\): criteria and supporting advice](#)

Information about the new GCSE grades for parents, employers and further and higher education providers

[GCSE new grading scale: factsheets](#)

News/Publications from Ofsted

20th February 2018

Information for inspectors and stakeholders on using the 16 to 19 inspection data summary report or IDSR

[Using Ofsted's inspection data summary report \(IDSR\): 16 to 19](#)

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A report on the outcomes of the consultation that ran from 21 September to 8 November 2017 on proposals for changes to Ofsted's approach to short inspections from January 2018

[Short inspections of good schools: maintained schools and academies](#)

28th February 2018

Guidance for inspecting initial teacher training under the common inspection framework from September 2015

[Inspecting initial teacher education: guidance for inspectors](#)

News/Publications from Ofqual

26th February 2018

Overview of the qualifications market and a single reference point about participants in the market

[Annual Qualifications Market Report](#)

28th February 2018

A table showing the status of subjects being accredited for teaching from September 2018

[Accreditation of GCSEs and A levels for teaching from 2018](#)

Best wishes,
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