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Gove admits school funding cuts

The Government tried to argue that it had protected schools from cuts in funding. In fact, the Spending Review will have a devastating impact on education as well as other vital public services.

Government spin exposed

George Osborne said that school budgets will rise in real terms. Michael Gove has admitted that this is untrue and that many schools will lose funding. The money for the Pupil Premium is simply being recycled. With student numbers rising, the Government's failure to provide extra money means **funding per student will fall in real terms by over 2%. The Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS) estimates that 60% of primary students and 87% of secondary students will be in schools where funding falls in real terms.**

Other cuts in school funding

Vital frontline education services to schools are already being cut. Most local authorities are already making cuts in services to schools. The Government says it will press on

with further cuts. Schools will lose these services or have to pay more for them, hitting budgets further.

Cancelling BSF stopped over 700 desperately-needed school building projects. The money allocated for the remaining capital projects will now be cut by 40%.

The Government admits funding for post-16 students will be cut significantly as the school participation age rises to 18.

Pensions attack confirmed

The Government has confirmed its attack on our pensions, with a **3% rise in contributions. That will cost NQTs at least £40 a month and those on UPS3 £70 or more.** Other changes are threatened. The Government has confirmed it wants you to pay more, work longer and get less in your pension – a long way short of the 'gold standard' public service pensions that George Osborne says the Government wants. These cuts, together with a two year pay freeze, will cut teachers' take-home pay significantly.

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Christine Blower, General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said:

"The NUT will fight hard to defend teachers, schools and the education service. The Government has talked about protecting schools, but schools are not protected and nor are local authorities. The proposed cuts to funding, pensions and pay are wholly unacceptable."

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