

Abolish SATs and League Tables to reduce workload!

Many primary schools around the country will be boycotting the English and mathematics SATs in 2010 as part of the trade dispute we have with the Government.

Sign our petition

Teachers not directly involved in this dispute can help our educational campaign to get rid of SATs and league tables: we would encourage all teachers, of whatever union, to sign up to our online petition at www.teachers.org.uk/petition

Workload

The abolition of the tests and league tables will reduce workload and free teachers to teach creatively! That has been the experience in Wales.

Marking practice test papers generates significant additional workload for teachers – and that work will go. Teacher assessment will not generate additional workload since it is already a statutory requirement.

The NUT will continue to lead the way in resisting models of teacher assessment which impose unnecessary recording and reporting requirements on teachers. Together with the NAHT we will resist excessive demands for documentation arising from Assessing Pupils' Progress (APP).

Teacher assessment

Fit for purpose teacher assessment would provide up-to-date and relevant information for parents on their children's progress. It is best suited to help children improve. The abolition of tests and league tables will remove the pressure to teach to the test.



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

"There should be no extra workload required of teachers arising from the boycott of SATs – but the boycott is the way to remove the league tables and SATs which so blight teachers' lives. Please sign our petition and encourage parents and support staff to sign it too. Go to www.teachers.org.uk/petition"

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