



Department
for Education

[See more information about this Guidance](#)

Guidance

Timeline for non-maintained special schools: mandatory

Updated 9 September 2015

Contents

Autumn Term 2015

Autumn Term 2015

NEW

September 2015: staffing

[Keeping children safe in education](#) is statutory guidance for all schools and colleges. Statutory guidance sets out what schools

[↑Contents](#)

and local authorities must do to comply with the law. You should follow the guidance unless you have a very good reason not to. We updated the guidance to reflect the new 'prevent duty' and mandatory reporting of female genital mutilation in July 2015. We also provided more information on the admission register and children that go missing from education.

We are considering policy changes to the guidance, and, subject to the government's priorities, will run a public consultation that will start in September 2015.

NEW

September 2015: curriculum and qualifications

National curriculum levels will no longer apply to statutory assessment. The Commission on Assessment Without Levels will publish advice and support for schools in developing new approaches to assessment.

NEW

September 2015: curriculum and qualifications

Sixth-form students taking 1-year GCSE English or maths courses in September 2015 must enrol on one of the existing GCSE courses. Those starting 2-year courses in September 2015 or any course in September 2016 must enrol on the new GCSE course. From September 2015, full-time students holding a grade D GCSE in English and/or maths must enrol on GCSE English and/or maths for that student's place to be funded.

The Education Funding Agency (EFA) [published guidance on maths and English conditions of funding post 16](#).

NEW

September 2015: finance

Local authorities will receive their first instalments of the primary PE and sport premium for distribution to local-authority-maintained schools on 29 October 2015. Academies and free schools will receive their payments directly from the Education Funding Agency (EFA) on 2 November. Schools should read the [revised grant conditions and guidance](#).

[Is there anything wrong with this page?](#)

Services and information

[Benefits](#)

[Births, deaths, marriages and care](#)

[Business and self-employed](#)

[Childcare and parenting](#)

[Citizenship and living in the UK](#)

[Crime, justice and the law](#)

[Disabled people](#)

[Driving and transport](#)

[Education and learning](#)

[Employing people](#)

[Environment and countryside](#)

[Housing and local services](#)

[Money and tax](#)

[Passports, travel and living abroad](#)

[Visas and immigration](#)

[Working, jobs and pensions](#)

Departments and policy

[How government works](#)

[Departments](#)

[Worldwide](#)

[Policies](#)

[Publications](#)

[Announcements](#)

[Help](#) [Cookies](#) [Contact](#) [Rhestr o Wasanaethau Cymraeg](#)

Built by the [Government Digital Service](#)

OGL All content is available under the [Open Government Licence v3.0](#), except where otherwise stated



© Crown copyright