



HANDS OFF OUR SCHOOLS

Calderdale Trades Council Public Meeting

Tuesday 20 September, 7.30pm

Hebden Bridge Trades Club

Holme Street, HX7 8EE

Speakers include:

James Wilson, Calderdale NUT Division Secretary

Tim Cooper, Calderdale NASUWT

Charlotte Brady, local parent

Association for Public Service Excellence representative

Teaching Assistants' TU representative (to be confirmed)

Under current Government policy:

- Schools are facing a funding crisis. As a result Teaching Assistant jobs are already being cut.
- It is feared that changes to the School Funding Formula will leave some schools in deprived areas even worse off.
- The Government still wants all schools in the public sector to become academies. Converting to academies effectively means that schools are privatised and nationally negotiated conditions for staff are eroded.
- SATs tests in Primary Schools have become too hard – in May, School Students in Hebden Bridge and elsewhere staged a strike against SATs.

Please come to this important public meeting to hear more about the threats to our children's education and discuss what we can do to defend our schools from these Government attacks.

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