



Ofsted publications during pre-election period

See below for information about what Ofsted have said they will publish during the pre-election period running from November 6 to December 13 2019.

During the pre-election period, we'll be publishing less content, in line with Cabinet Office guidelines. We will delay planned publication of research reports until after the election, along with the texts of speeches, press notices and news stories. We're moving the launch of our Annual Report to January.

We will not be publishing reports on:

inspections of local authority (LA) children's services (ILACS)

joint targeted area inspections (JTAs)

local area special educational needs and disabilities (LA SEND) provision

LA-run children's homes

LA-run further education and skills (FES) provision

fostering or adoption agencies that have had functions delegated to them by a local authority

All other inspection reports will be published, which includes all schools and early years providers, including LA-maintained schools as well as non-LA FES providers.

During this period we will continue to publish pre-announced official statistics (ONS), but our management information releases will be suspended until after the election.

ESFA Update academies: 7 November 2019

Click [here](#) to read the latest ESFA Update for academies.

Pre-election guidance for schools and multi-academy trusts

Click [here](#) to read guidance for headteachers, chief executives and teachers during the pre-election period for the general election on 12 December 2019.

School governance update November 2019

Click [here](#) to read the latest school governance updates from the DfE.

Drone use

From November 30 2019 those wanting to fly drones will have to have passed an online theory test and registered as an operator; failure to do so can result in a fine of up to £1000 under new regulations from the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). The new regulations apply to anyone wanting to fly a drone or an unmanned aircraft weighing 250g or above. A unique registration number will be issued which must be displayed on each aircraft and which should be visible from the ground.

The drone code of conduct says that pilots should stay at least 150m from built-up and busy areas, including schools. They should also be in sight of their drone at all times, so it may be possible to identify who is flying it. As a general rule, no one should be flying a camera-equipped unmanned aircraft (drone) within 150m of a 'congested area' – which includes a school. Flying over a school can give rise to Safeguarding. If you have any concerns about unmanned aircraft being used around your school, either from a safety or privacy perspective, contact the police on 101, with the drone's registration number if possible.

Further information can be found on the Information Commissioner's website: <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/drones/>

Relationships education, relationships and sex education (RSE) and health education: FAQs

Click [here](#) to see information from the Department for Education about the introduction of compulsory relationships education and RSE from September 2020.

The Department for Education is introducing compulsory Relationships Education for primary pupils and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) for secondary pupils from September 2020. Also, from September 2020 it will be compulsory for all schools to teach Health Education. Through these subjects, the DfE want to support all young people to be happy, healthy and safe and to be equipped for adult life and to make a positive contribution to society.

In the link above the DfE has explained some of the common misconceptions around the subjects.
