

# Tackling social injustice: an English civic response

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## Am I at the right conference??



- 1. I am a representative of the English government education system...
- 2. ...I am going to mainly talk about what happens outside of the classroom ....
- 3. ....It is Saturday morning and maybe educators have better things do??
- 4. Grateful for the opportunity to share an English government perspective on education and social justice



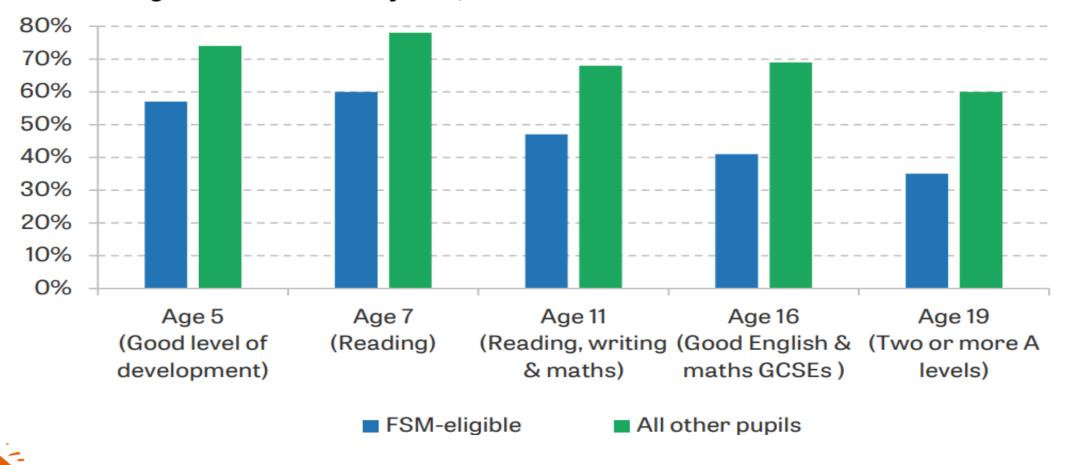
# Our hopes for social justice start with the rights of children



# Education and social justice: a power to remove inequality; a power to cause inequality?

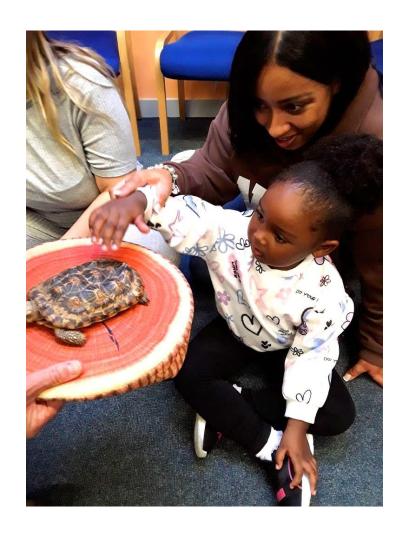


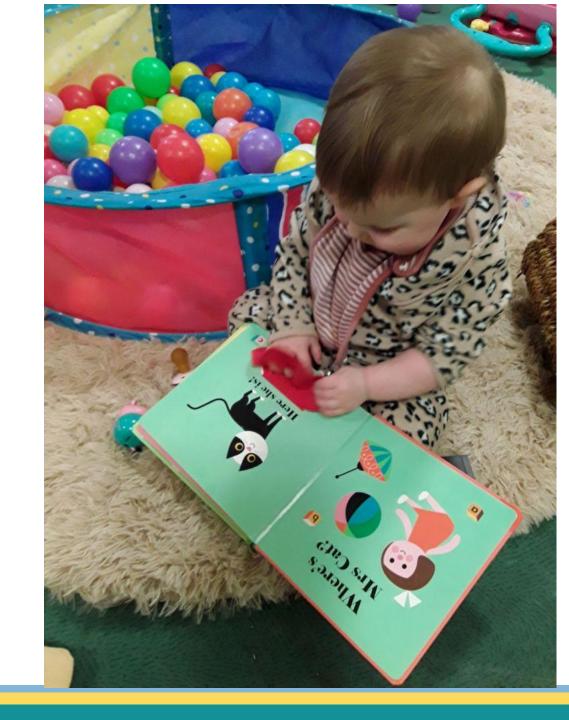
Figure 27. Attainment gaps between students eligible and not eligible for free school meals at different stages of the education system, 2019



Claimant rate, % **Devon: rural poverty** 0-4.9 5-99 10 - 14.915 - 19.920 - 24.925 - 30 Legend Lower Super Output Areas Geog\_Barriers / none Most Deprived 10% in England Most Deprived 25% in England Most Deprived 50% in England

## **Devon: early years**

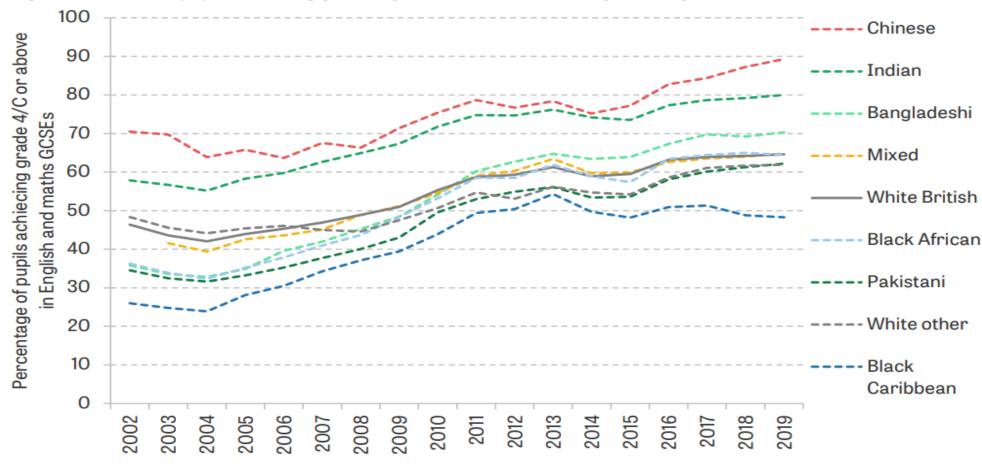




## London: inequality for groups





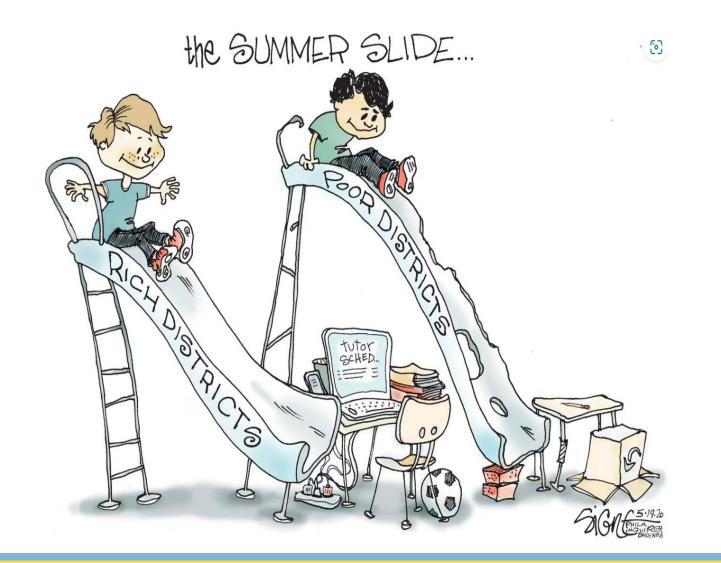


Source: Results for 2011 to 2019 are from National Pupil Database and 'Characteristics summary' table in Department for Education, 'Key stage 4 performance, 2019 (revised)'. Earlier results from historical statistical releases of GCSE results published by Department for Education.



## **London: Recovering Lost Learning**



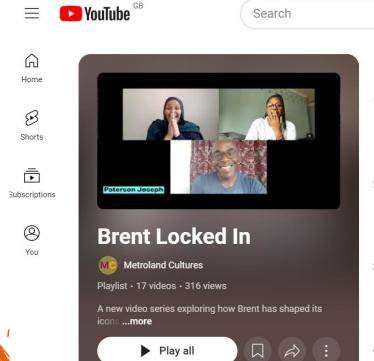




## London: Art, Culture and Hope

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- 1. This is Brent
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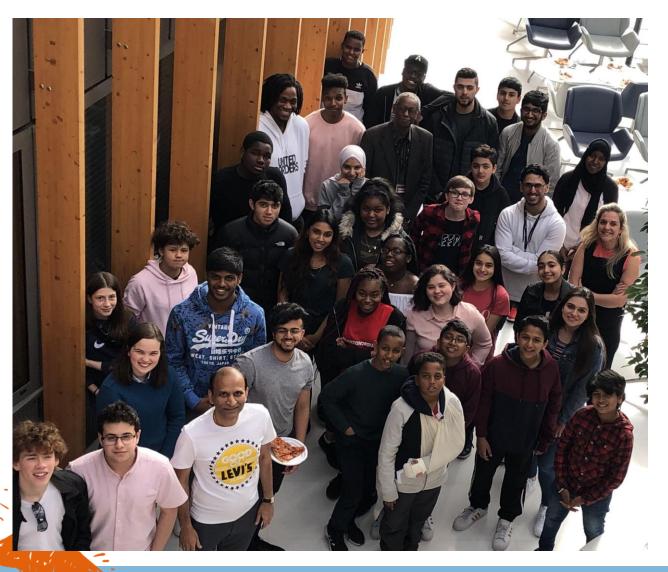
**▶** Latest Episode

Young people from one London Borough, getting to the bottom of issues they care about.

A collaboration between VICE and Brent 2020, London Borough of MORE

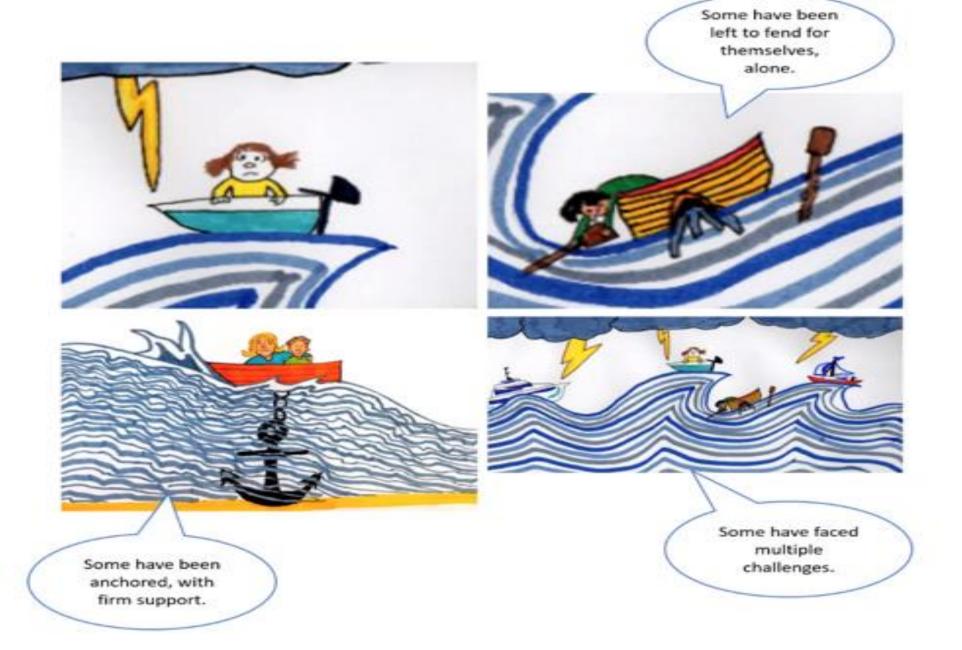
## London: democracy and young people





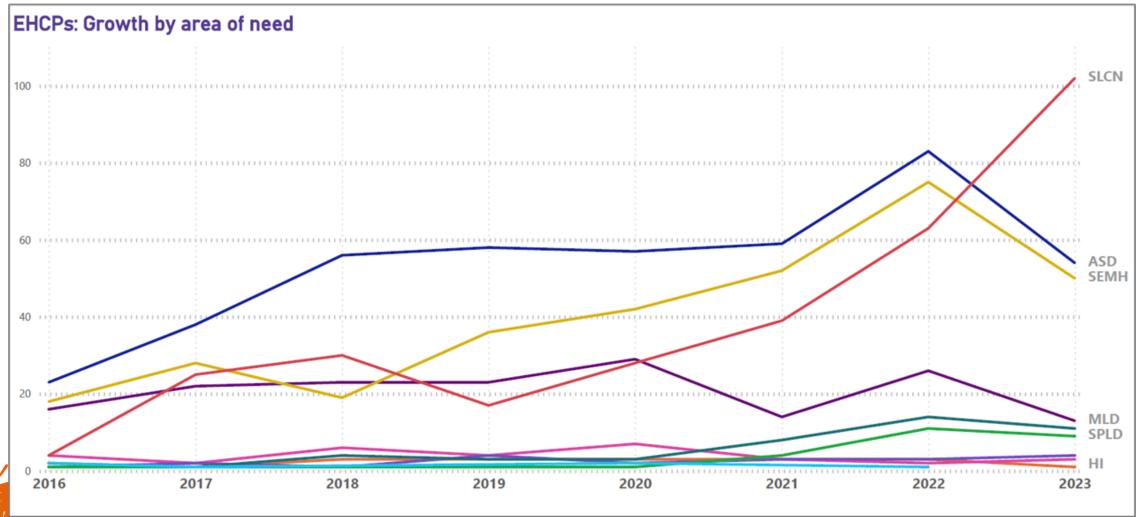


In the same storm but different boats



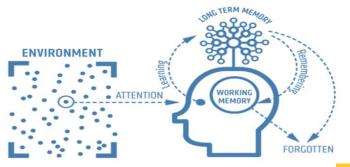
## Reading: inclusion

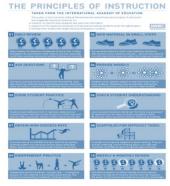




# Our model of Pedagogy- Quality teaching is the best intervention











## Cognitive load theory

teaching activities that overload working memory are ineffective and disadvantage some learner groups

# Memory, recall and retrieval

children need plentiful, spaced and interleaved opportunities to retrieve and recall knowledge in order for it to be stored in long term memory.

# Rosenshine's principles of instruction

The principles set out approaches to teaching that maximise the probability of learning happening because they are designed to reduce cognitive load and increase opportunities for schema activation

#### Dialogic teaching and oracy development

children need plentiful, opportunities to develop language, vocabulary and communication skills. They need to talk and be heard, be questioned so they think harder. make new connections and learn to listen

## Reading as learning

Reading and story has a special place in our neurology and enables rapid schema development. High quality texts support the acquisition of language and knowledge and should form part of all subject teaching

## Our model of behaviour and relationships

We carefully consider and analyse how our policy, practices, systems. communications environments and experiences make children feel

We provide equity, giving everyone what they need to thrive rather than giving everyone the same

We are trauma informed and see difficult behaviour as a rational response to the experience that a person is having or has had

We can help people see their "unhealthy" behaviours as understandable coping responses in survival mode and not something they need to feel guilt and shame about

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we teach new skills and give opportunities to practice and consolidate them. Punishment and bribery are not used because they don't enable the child and can re-traumatise them

We make plans to support children and adults based on analysis and restorative approaches We believe in mastery everyone has the capacity to move from novice to expert. Potential is only limited by expectation

We know that adversity is not destiny- people can survive trauma and learn the knowledge and skills to help themselves traumatic experiences can leave people stuck in "survival mode" with a very narrow window of tolerance

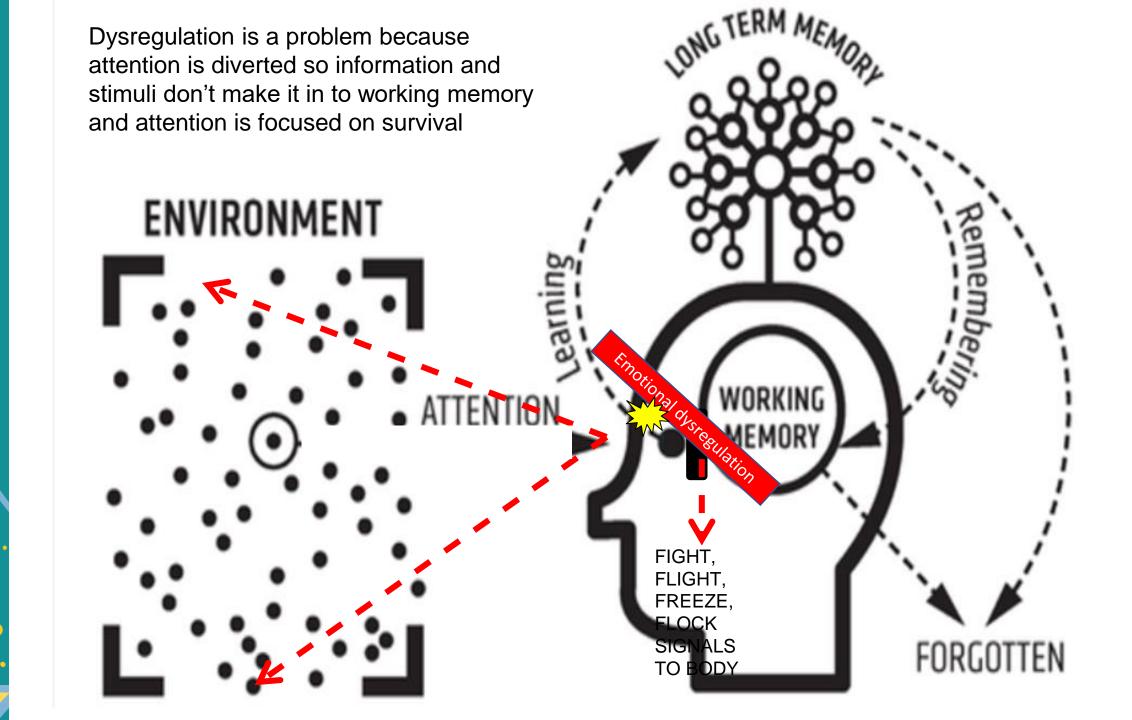
we recognise that

we are curious about behaviour and wonder "what happened to you" rather than "what's wrong with you". We ask "what would it help you to know" and "how am I going to teach you"

We support our schools to embed trauma informed practice through Therapeutic Thinking, MHST and our inclusion training packages

trauma informed practice for better regulation, relationships and learning

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## The support to schools from my team

Our school standards team offer a wide range of services for school leaders, teachers and support staff to enable them to develop and review their curriculum.



in locally maintained schools we support systems leadership, assure ourselves of standards and provide Governing bodies with external verification through the gold offer outlined below. The enhanced bespoke offer is subject to additional charges. Both the Gold and bespoke offer can be purchased by academies

We ensure that our leaders are well informed about significant changes in education policy and research and that what they need to know is at their finger tips

Research

updates

Yearly

standards

assurance

meeting (more

if school is in

category or

there are

standards

issues)

We commission local training, consultancy and coaching from local and national leaders

We can support leaders to develop strategy and implement approaches We can facilitate peer support projects so that schools can share practice,

We support
Governors through
training and reviev Head teacher
performance

performance management and consultancy

Project based training offer and collaborative opportunities

Governor services and bespoke training

Trauma informed behaviour and inclusion training

Curriculum training, conferences and consultancy

ECF and middle leader support and training

We can support you to design and implement trauma informed approaches to behaviour and inclusion

English networks and training

We support Governors through training and review

We provide central data analysis to support leaders to identify strengths and weaknesses in the curriculum and reduce

We provide bespoke support and challenge meetings to review impact

Yearly

Supported

"deep dive" style curriculum

and

safeguarding

reviews, \_

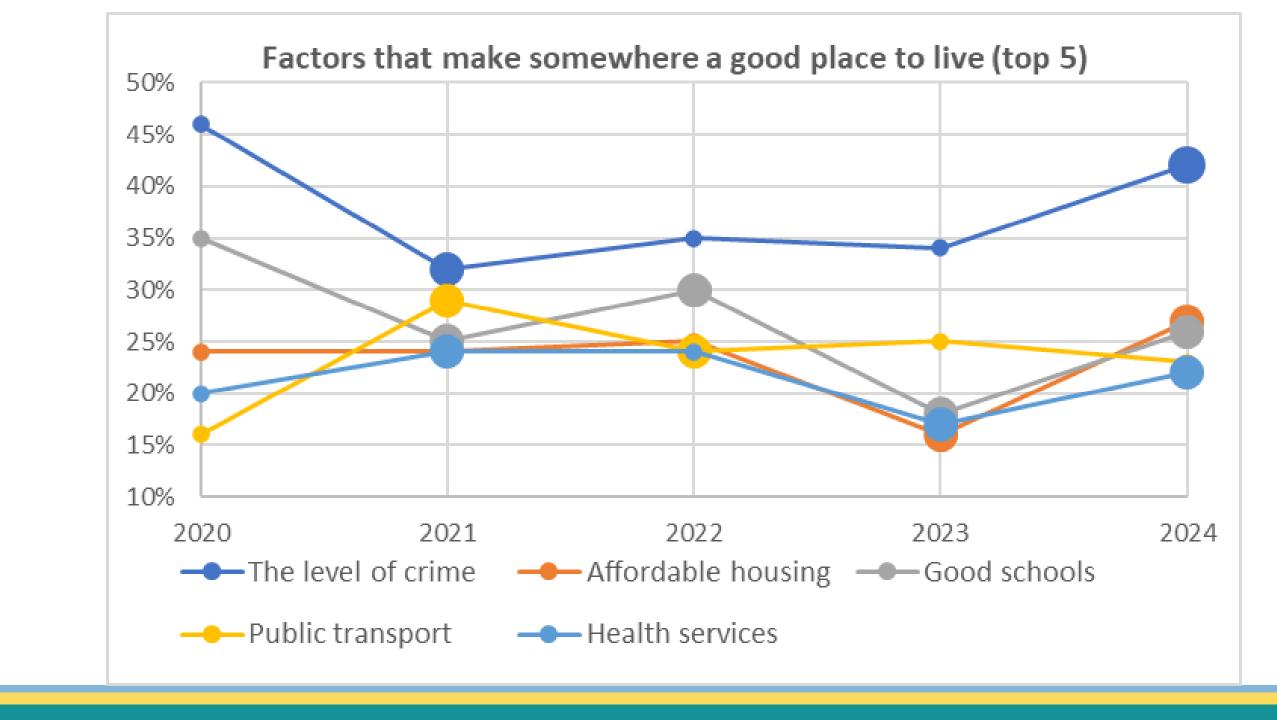
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## Reading: valuing education and educators

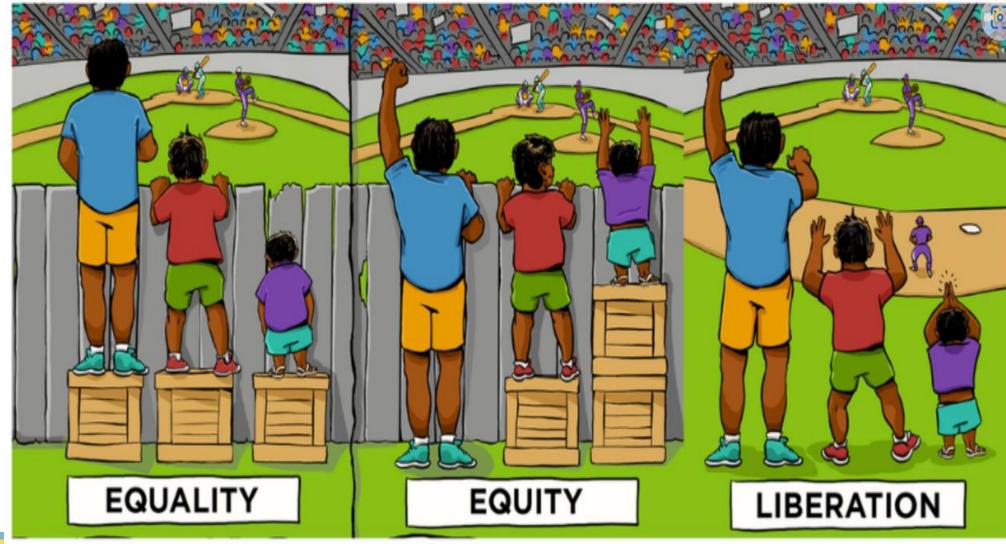






## Reading: a new school model and design







## What I Have Learned

- We must start by recognsing that we live in a socially unjust world, if we are to take action to create a more equal society.
- Social justice and change takes time, effort, consistency (5 years plus)
- Educators are important leaders of community (but educators need must not be pulled away from teaching and learning).
- School leaders need help to support what comes through their door it takes a village to raise a child
- Children are powerful agents for social change and social justice



## Government can help by:

- Celebrating education and educators as a force of social justice and social change
- Asking what educators need, and give it to them
- Focusing on injustice and on the factors educators and schools cannot change



## Hope



