

# Tower Hamlets NEU District Campaign newsletter



**NEU survey on teacher pay starts January 14th**

## The time is right - vote for 8% pay rise for all

The NEU is preparing a survey of all teacher members on pay. The survey is part of our campaign to win a better pay deal for teachers in 2022.

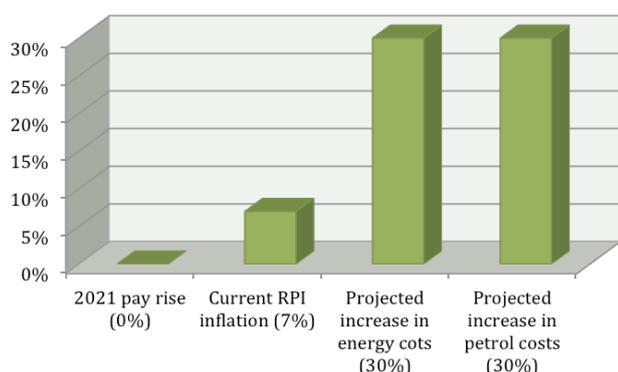
Alongside workload, pay is a crucial part of our orientation to Value Education, Value Educators (VEVE).

Educators are key workers who have contributed hugely to the pandemic response and the time is right for them to be rewarded.

Here are some key things you should know about teacher pay:

- **Teachers were the only group of workers to get 0% pay award in 2021**
- **Teachers have lost on average 17% in real terms pay since 2010**
- **Teacher salaries are at least £2,500 lower than where they should be compared to 2010**
- **The government has failed to meet its targets for teacher recruitment for EIGHT years**
- **The government has promised to raise starting salaries for teachers to £30,000 by 2023**
- **The government will need to increase salaries by 8% in 2022, and again in 2023 to keep its promise**
- **The NEU is campaigning for an 8% pay rise for all teachers**
- **The NEU believes that any pay rise must be fully funded**

### Pay frozen while cost of living goes up



### STRB TIMETABLE

- ❑ **December 2021** government letter to STRB set out their aims
- ❑ **16 February** written submissions from all parties
- ❑ STRB will share everyone's evidence (that's when we will see the DfE evidence)
- ❑ **9th March** supplementary submission (so we can respond to DfE evidence)
- ❑ **28<sup>th</sup> March** oral evidence to the STRB
- ❑ **May 31<sup>st</sup>** STRB give their report to the DfE (it will be confidential at that stage)
- ❑ The NEU will use this timeline to campaign to influence the STRB

### Significant increases needed

The School Teacher Review Body (STRB) has said that "significant increases" in pay are needed to address serious problems in teacher recruitment.

That's why the NEU believes the time is right to campaign during the evidence gathering (see box above) to make sure all teachers see those increases.

### NEU survey of members

- From January 14<sup>th</sup> the NEU will survey all teacher members
- The survey will be sent to you by email
- We will ask if you agree that the Union should campaign for an 8% increase for all teachers in 2022
- We will ask you what steps you would take as part of the campaign
- **We will ask if you would be prepared to take strike action as part of the campaign**

### THINGS TO DO

- ✓ Update your email address at [www.myneu.org.uk/login](http://www.myneu.org.uk/login)
- ✓ Discuss the survey with your colleagues
- ✓ Make sure you vote and tell the Union your views
- ✓ **Vote YES to 8% for all teachers**