

TEACHER SUPPLY IN CRISIS

Nearly two thirds (65%) of teachers surveyed by the **NASUWT-The Teachers' Union** say they have seriously considered leaving the teaching profession in the last 12 months, in a further sign of the crisis engulfing teacher supply.

73% say they have seriously considered leaving their current job in the last year.

Teachers at the NASUWT's Annual Conference in Birmingham have warned that the education system is engulfed in a teacher supply crisis.

Chris Keates, General Secretary of the NASUWT, said:

“Whilst the Government continues publicly to deny that there is a teacher supply crisis, it is clear that there is one from the evident signs of panic emanating from the DfE.

“The language has changed from a challenge to a serious problem.

“Old failed policies such as troops into teaching are being recycled, as the announcement in the last few weeks indicated.

“Ministers are writing covertly to ITT institutions asking them to relax the rigour on skills tests for NQTs.

“The Education Secretary is engaged in public handwringing about teacher workload.

“Glossy TV teacher recruitment adverts have appeared, which fool no one.

“The crisis will not end until the government takes responsibility for and takes action to address the devastating impact of its relentless attacks on teachers' pay, workload and working conditions.”

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