

# No More Faith Schools

Video available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TlcVusf3J20&t=1s>

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Schools are for teaching, not preaching.  
But a third of the schools we all pay

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for are faith schools. Something doesn't  
add up. Children should be able to

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develop their own beliefs free from  
indoctrination. Faith schools seek to

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instill religious beliefs. Surely schools  
should teach pupils about religion, not

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how to be religious. Britain is becoming  
increasingly diverse, but faith schools

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segregate our children. When children  
from different backgrounds are educated

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together, they learn to get along  
together. Isn't it time we stop dividing

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our children by their parents' religion?  
Faith schools have special exemptions

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from equality law. Many can discriminate  
against children whose families don't

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belong to the religion of the school.  
This means your child can be turned away

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from your local school, because you're

not religious or follow a different

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faith. Despite public opposition, faith schools are increasing in number and

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variety.

The expansion of faith schools is the

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wrong response to our growing religious diversity. Faith schools don't just divide

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children by religion, they can also lead to ethnic segregation, and many faith

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schools admit disproportionately fewer children from poorer families. Faith

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schools are a disaster for social cohesion. An inclusive education system

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today is our best chance of building an inclusive society tomorrow. So why not

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join us in saying "No More Faith Schools!"