

Teacher shortages are reaching crisis point – Kane

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Kane MP, Labour's Shadow Education Minister, responding to the National Audit Office's report which has found teacher recruitment is not keeping up with rising pupil numbers, said:

"Teacher shortages are reaching crisis point and it is subjects that are vital to our country's future such as science and computing that are hardest hit.

"The Education Select Committee, the School Teachers' Review Body, and the last Education Secretary have all said that the public sector pay cap is contributing to challenges in teacher recruitment, yet the Government have again said that they will continue to impose the cap.

"There is no greater investment a government can make in education than in the quality of teaching. It is time the Tories read the writing on the wall and lifted the public sector pay cap – their continued inaction is threatening our children's education."