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Wes Streeting MP Shadow Minister for Schools (via email)

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Dear Mr Streeting,

Thank you for your letter of 8 December about the use of statistics on school funding by the Conservative Party.

The statements confused the minimum level of school funding per pupil with an increase in funding per pupil. In fact the minimum per pupil funding levels were set at £5,000 for secondary schools and £3,750 for primary schools in 2020/21. These will increase to £5,150 and £4,000 per pupil respectively in 2021/22. The minimum per pupil funding threshold will therefore increase by £150 in secondary schools, and by £250 in primary schools.

The claim was clearly made in error and the Conservative Party has now deleted and clarified it.

Yours sincerely,

Sir David Norgrove