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Rayner MP, Labour's Shadow Education Secretary, commenting on Justine Greening's

plan for a 'new generation' of grammar schools, said:

"The

facts are clear, grammar schools will do nothing to help the overwhelming majority of working families across the country.

"The

Government's attempt to fiddle the figures to support their discredited and divisive policy does not change the basic reality that for the overwhelming majority, academic selection is a barrier to social mobility, and the Government's plans to return to the days of secondary moderns will only make this worse.

"While

the Government only look to improve the educations of a privileged few, Labour

will improve outcomes for all by delivering free school meals to every primary

school pupil in England."