

The Tories need to return to the drawing board on the Ebacc – Angela Rayner

Angela Rayner MP, Labour's Shadow

Education Secretary, responding to the publication of the consultation response to the English Baccalaureate (Ebacc), said:

“The Tories have dragged their feet for months on releasing the responses to this consultation and it is clear why.

“It is essential that children have a firm grip of the core subjects at school, but it is just as important that all children have access to a broad and balanced curriculum which over two thirds of respondents highlighted is at threat under the Ebacc.

“The Tories need to return to the drawing board on the Ebacc and make sure it is delivering the excellent, well-rounded education all children deserve.

“If they were serious about delivering a broad and balanced curriculum for schools they would not be cutting their budgets or imposing a cap on public sector pay that makes it impossible for schools to recruit and retain the staff that they need.”