

1870-1978

1880 - education becomes compulsory and free

1944 - Butler Education Act introduces tripartite system

1965 - Tripartite system replaced with comprehensive schools

1967 - Educational Priority Areas set up

1972 - school leaving age raised to 16

3 main aims in UK policies

economic efficiency - improving the skills of the Labour force

raising educational standards

creating equality of educational opportunity

1979-1988

marketisation

privatisation

1980s - New Vocationalism established

1988 - Education Reform Act - national curriculum, selection, SATS, league tables, new types of schools, OFSTED

1997-2010

Globalisation

1997 - specialist schools set up

1997 - Education Action Zones introduces

1997 - Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

1998 - New Deal for young people

1998 - Uni fees introduced

1999 - Sure Start

2002 - Gifted and Talented initiative

2004 - Aim Higher

2010 onwards

2010 - Academies Act introduced

2010 - Aim Higher ended

2011 - EMA ended

2011 - 300 schools to be rebuilt using PFI funding

2014 - Pupil Premium introduced

2016 - Grants to support poorest through uni ended

