

ALL Briefing No. 46

Theme: Al in Education - developments

Background:

Several documents have emerged recently around the roles and uses of Artificial Intelligence in Education, as well as issues that arise. This Briefing includes general issues.

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In June 2025 DfE published these Policy papers: **Generative artificial intelligence (AI)** in education, Using AI in education settings: support materials and (via The Education Hub) AI in schools and colleges: what you need to know

The Education Hub is 'a site for parents, pupils, education professionals and the media that captures all you need to know about the education system.'

Key messages:

The Policy paper: **Generative artificial intelligence (AI) in education** has sections on What is generative AI
Opportunities and challenges for the education sector
Using AI safely and effectively
Using AI responsibly
The future for generative AI in education

Using AI in education settings: support materials contain 4 modules of training resources for teachers (not subject-specific) and a module for leaders. The materials balance the need for staff and student safety with the opportunities AI creates. They feature:

- activity focused slides
- video presentations with accompanying transcripts
- summaries of the information presented
- activities to consolidate knowledge, such as multiple-choice questions
- templates to help you reflect and plan

The Chartered College of Teaching have also provided additional materials including:

a free online journal on Al

- a range of case studies demonstrating how schools and colleges are using Al safely and effectively
- a free multiple-choice assessment providing Chartered College certification based on the training materials

Sample salient quotations:

From the Policy paper: Generative artificial intelligence (AI) in education on risks

... the content produced by generative AI could be:

- inaccurate
- inappropriate or unsafe
- biased
- taken out of context
- taken without permission (intellectual property infringement)
- · out of date or unreliable
- low quality

From the related Education Hub: Al in schools and colleges: what you need to know

Will teachers be replaced by AI?

Absolutely not.

Teachers are irreplaceable, and AI could never be a substitute for teachers' professional judgement and the personal relationships they have with their students.

We're developing AI tools specifically to support teachers, not to replace the unique role they play in education. These tools are designed to handle repetitive tasks that currently take teachers' energy away from face to face classroom interactions.

Good teachers are key to raising standards in education. Using AI to reduce workload could also help address the recruitment and retention challenges in teaching - helping to restore teaching as an attractive profession. These tools have the potential to make a difference to the everyday lives of teachers, and will help them focus on what matters, teaching.

How could AI help students?

Evidence shows that high quality, personalised feedback builds attainment, and AI tools can help with this. This means getting more of what makes the biggest difference to their learning - high-quality face-to-face teaching and personalised feedback.

Al tools can speed up marking and help teachers understand each student's progress better, so they can tailor their teaching to what each learner needs. This won't replace the important relationship between students and teachers - it will

strengthen it by giving teachers back valuable time to focus on the human side of teaching that makes all the difference to how well pupils learn.

References:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/generative-artificial-intelligence-in-education/generative-artificial-intelligence-ai-in-education

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/using-ai-in-education-settings-support-materials

https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2025/06/artificial-intelligence-in-schools-everything-you-need-to-know/

We are also aware of: https://uk.bettshow.com/rise-ai-education

Empowering Learners for the Age of AI (An AI Literacy Framework for Primary and Secondary Education) from https://ailiteracyframework.org/

Points for reflection / action:

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