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SECTION : FEATURES

Aug 19 [Guardian]: English schools told to delay seeking help with small COVID outbreaks. DfE advises measures should be taken only once a threshold of infections has been reached. [LINK](#)



Aug 19 [Jakarta Posts]: Indonesia tries to embrace Chinese language but problems persist. With China growing global clout, many people around the world are increasingly realizing the importance of understanding China better. [LINK](#)



Aug 17 [CNA]: UNICEF 'quite optimistic' after Taliban comments on girls' education, official says. GENEVA: The chief of field operations of the United Nations children's agency expressed cautious optimism about working with Taliban officials following their seizure of power in Afghanistan, citing their early expressions of support for girls' education. [LINK](#)

SECTION : CAPACITY BUILDING

Aug 18 [Guardian]: Cambridge to end teacher training if government enacts overhaul. The University of Cambridge says it will cease teacher training courses if the government persists with damaging proposals to change how primary and secondary school teachers are trained in England. [LINK](#)

SECTION : CORE EDUCATION

Aug 18 [US News]: Survey Shows Parents Clamoring for In-Person Learning Despite Spike in COVID-19 Cases. The proportion of parents who plan to send their children to school in person this fall increased from May to July – even as the delta variant drove up case numbers across the country. [LINK](#)



Aug 16 [CNA]: The Big Read: Singapore's endless love affair with private tuition just got deeper with COVID-19. SINGAPORE: Housewife Santi Choo's two children briefly had Chinese tuition but by and large, she never believed in sending them for private tuition — not even when her older daughter sat for the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) some years ago. [LINK](#)

SECTION : EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION

Aug 19 [Guardian]: Free childcare policy 'damages life chances' of poor children in England. Children miss out on early years education because their parents are low-earners, study says. [LINK](#)



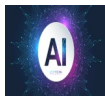
Aug 16 [CNA]: Some COVID-19 cases expected in pre-schools as more activities resume: MSF. SINGAPORE: Some COVID-19 cases are expected in pre-schools as Singapore moves towards living with COVID-19 as an endemic disease and resumes more activities in the community, the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF) said on Monday (Aug 16). [LINK](#)

SECTION : EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY

Aug 19 [ET]: Education sector saw highest volume of cyber-attacks in July. The Cybercriminals are exploiting the industry's rapid shift back to remote learning, driven by the rise of the COVID-19 Delta variant. [LINK](#)

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Aug 18 [ET]: Scheme to rollout 700,000 devices to school pupils in Scotland gets under way. Scottish education secretary Shirley-Anne Somerville has commenced discussions with local government to deliver the national initiative. [LINK](#)



Aug 15 [eLearning Industry]: Artificial Intelligence And The Rise Of Project-Based Learning. latest The use of AI has provided a universal solution to get a set of tools tailored to the specific needs of project-based learners and educators to optimize their routine, increase efficiency, improve accessibility, and scale the processes. [LINK](#)

SECTION : EXAMINATION

Aug 19 [Independent]: Less focus on end-of-year exams could be fairer way to assess students, former Ofqual chief executive says. Moving away from a focus on end-of-year exams could be a fairer way to assess students, the founding chief executive of England's exam regulator has suggested. [LINK](#)

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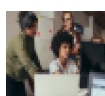
Aug 18 [BBC]: Urgent call for COVID-safe ventilation in schools. There is an urgent call for action on ventilation in schools - to slow the spread of COVID-19 - when pupils return, in September. [LINK](#)



Aug 17 [CNA]: UK regulator approves Moderna COVID-19 shot for 12 to 17-year-olds. The United Kingdom's health regulator has approved Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine for use in children aged 12 to 17 years, it said on Tuesday (Aug 17), weeks after Pfizer-BioNTech's shot was given the green light for deployment ahead of schools reopening. [LINK](#)



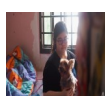
Aug 15 [CNA]: Children hospitalised with COVID-19 in US hits record number. The number of children hospitalised with COVID-19 in the United States hit a record high of just over 1,900 on Saturday (Aug 14), as hospitals across the South were stretched to capacity fighting outbreaks caused by the highly transmissible Delta variant. [LINK](#)

SECTION : HIGHER EDUCATION

Aug 19 [ET]: New Effort Adds College Credit to Apprenticeship Programs. The journey toward a career often starts at a fork in the road. One path points toward on-the-job training. [LINK](#)



Aug 17 [Guardian]: UK medical schools must teach about climate crisis, say students. Extreme weather events widen existing inequalities and traumatise victims while climate anxiety affects mental health. [LINK](#)

SECTION : SPECIAL EDUCATION

Aug 15 [CNA]: Life with selective mutism: When extreme anxiety makes a child unable to speak. Children with selective mutism can't speak in certain environments, so they might be labelled as rude. But the lesser-known condition is not so straightforward. [LINK](#)

SECTION : STEM

Aug 18 [ET]: TNMOC bids to help young people discover the joy of STEM. The Ambassador Kids programme sees TNMOC host monthly hands-on sessions featuring guest mentors and the Bletchley Park computer archive. [LINK](#)



Aug 16 [CNA]: Schools will provide diversity of skillsets and education pathways as MOE looks to re-examine teaching, testing: Chan Chun Sing. SINGAPORE: Singapore "must build diversity" and strengthen science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) as well as soft skills learning in schools, said Minister for Education Chan Chun Sing on Monday (Aug 16). [LINK](#)