

Lockdown Diaries

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If the NHS has become an anaemic obsession amongst the British (and I do wonder how many with the capacity for an independent thought genuinely feel that inspired by one of the worst public health services in Europe) one can at least take solace in the fact that teachers have had their day. Of all the humans incarcerated in the current flight from reason, children are virtually unaffected by the phantom plague and it is fitting that their latest champion on the Labour shadow cabinet was skewered on the most dreary of left wing middle class obsessions. Boris Johnson has enjoyed something of a renaissance lately lampooning Labour's indulgence of the Teachers unions and it's a well selected target by any stretch of the imagination. Trendy pedagogy has turned the UK into the thick man of Europe, but these soulless warehouses of illiteracy at least had the saving grace of providing day care to parents who need to work. On this lowest common denominator of social utility however even the shadow Labour education secretary was unconvinced and if her indulgence of low bred

vested interests has been derailed by an ill-timed outing of Jewish conspiracy theories, one still has to contend with the raw material which sometime soon will be unleashed on impressionable minds. I was thinking initially of the children but to judge by the recruitment material aimed at teachers, it seems the children are expected to teach their teachers the most important lessons in life (See below a brilliant satire by an American comedian on the standard mindset).