# Twitter Thread by Lynda Keen

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## What a disgusting comment. There is NOTHING "hard left" about wanting to protect people's lives. You, like @BorisJohnson & @Keir_Starmer haven't thought this through 1/

> Hard-left National Education Union opposes schools reopening even if all teachers get a priority jab. Schools clearly an inconvenience for teachers\u2019 union, since they only get in the way of its real passion \u2014 political activism. It would help NEA if we just closed schools forever
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> — Andrew Neil (@afneil) January 31, 2021

@afneil You clearly don't care about people's lives; you just want the chance to have a go at a trade union. FYI, schools need to be made SAFE b4 reopening. 2/

@afneil You must've seen the figures: Covid cases increased via schools after reopening in September & cases are now increasing in nurseries, left open since Xmas. 3/

@afneil Why hurt or kill more people? Ensure safety FIRST. 4/

@afneil How to make schools SAFE? a) Vaccinate all school staff & all students, with both vaccine shots. That'll take us until May as second shots are only being given after 3 months. 5/

@afneil b) Set up smaller classes so social distancing is possible, with a shift system, morning & afternoon school, 6/

@afneil c) arrange deep cleaning after every class & d) provide adequate ppe for staff & students. 7/

@afneil e) set up a proper test & trace system & quarantine/self-isolation with furlough funding for families so parents can stay off work to isolate. 8/

@afneil Unless all these things & more are in place, schools will not be safe to reopen & the NEU is 100% right to say so. 9/