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**USS under attack – vote YES to defend pensions**The ballot to defend the USS pension opened this week. If you haven't voted please vote now. It’s crucial that we show that members are prepared to defend their pensions so please check your inbox for the unique link we have sent you and [let us know if you can’t find it](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4599/1/). If you've already voted why not put one of [our new posters up on your door](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/3178/2/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VGhlIEZyaWRheSBlbWFpbDogMjIgU2VwdGVtYmVyIDIwMTc%3d&x=93f65b44).**FE pay: 1% won’t close the gap**Further education unions have reacted with disappointment this week at [the employers’ recommendation of a 1% pay rise](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4606/3/) which fails to address the real hardship that many education staff are experiencing as inflation continues to erode our pay. If you haven’t yet had your say on pay, please remember to vote in the e-ballot and, again, [let us know if you can’t find your ballot email](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4546/4/).Show that you support fair pay in FE by tweeting a selfie [with our poster](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4621/5/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VGhlIEZyaWRheSBlbWFpbDogMjIgU2VwdGVtYmVyIDIwMTc%3d&x=ebb00ad7) using hashtag #fairpayFE, or emailing it in. Our [‘wall of support’](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4607/6/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VGhlIEZyaWRheSBlbWFpbDogMjIgU2VwdGVtYmVyIDIwMTc%3d&x=af324e70) goes live on Monday. [See here for the full update including:](https://list.mercury.ucu.org.uk/t/31553/62105/4608/7/?c73c8e04=Y2FtcGFpZ251cGRhdGU%3d&60bc612e=X2FsbC1tZW1iZXJz&560a3889=VGhlIEZyaWRheSBlbWFpbDogMjIgU2VwdGVtYmVyIDIwMTc%3d&x=cacf1149) * In the news
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