

# ROCK AGAINST AUSTERITY

presents

## “Sing Your Heart Out 4 Education”

featuring

### Hit ‘n’ Run

With special guests

**Saturday 22nd April**

8pm—till late

**FREE ENTRY**

Madden’s

130 High Road, N2 9ED



## Cuts to School Budgets

- **The Institute of Fiscal Studies reports every school will have cuts as a result of the National Funding Formula currently being proposed.**
- **The Department of Education reports a £3 billion overspend which will be carried over to the new budgets.**
- **For the last 2 years the National Audit Office reported to Parliament that they *cannot* approve the accounts of the Department for Education.**
- **Academy schools are facing the same CUTS from successive years and CUTS still to come from the proposed National Funding Formula.**

**Barnet Academy schools are lobbying government. The co-ordinator told the TES (February 2017) “As professional managers we are already making savings, up to and including staffing cuts. We are not replacing staff who leave, cutting teaching and support provision, reducing spending on text books, and we will inevitably have to consider passing some of our costs onto parents.”**

**A Kent grammar, also in the national media, is turning to parents to “fund the gap”. Parental charges for essential resources such as Teachers and text books are proposed as school fees which parents will have to pay.**

Teacher redundancies equal larger class sizes.

Teaching Assistant redundancies undermine quality education.

Cuts to Teaching and Teaching Assistant jobs at a time when there is a crisis in teacher recruitment and retention is foolhardy to say the least.

Government can find money if it wants to fund the future of our children's education and the future of the teaching profession.

Government has allowed huge, unacceptable waste of the education budget; for example 17 free schools have been funded lavishly and closed in the last 4 years.

There should be public information listing the land the DfE and Education Funding Agency has purchased for free schools out of our education budget, but there is not.

It is not at all clear who is holding the title deeds to all this land purchased and the land that left public ownership through academisation.

The reasons for the waste of money, including the legal costs of academisation, are not in any way connected to improving education and are ideological.

Barnet has 90 local authority primary schools of which 36 are rated by Ofsted as Outstanding.

Barnet Schools must be funded for current staffing levels or excellence cannot continue.

School fees are not an option for the provision of State Education and a National Education System.