

Northern Ireland mass education strikes could be at an end



Northern Ireland's mass education strikes could be at an end after GMB members accepted a pay deal.

More than 3,000 GMB members, including classroom assistants, drivers, bus escorts, catering staff, cleaning staff, administrative, building supervisors have taken several days of industrial action in a dispute over pay and grading.

But today [Wednesday] a majority of 83 per cent of GMB Members voted to accept the new pay and grading proposal from the northern Ireland Executive.

The Executive has now committed a financial package to implement Stage one of the proposal



GMB will now wait for the results of other unions' ballots.

Jim Donley, GMB Organiser, said:

"If this deal is implemented, it will put an end to the long running industrial dispute.

"GMB members should be rightly proud of the part they played in bringing this offer about through their industrial action across the summer.

"If implemented, this deal will mean so much to a low paid, predominantly women workforce."

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