

To Headteachers of Lancashire Primary Schools

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Dear Colleague

Optional LSIP 2021

I am pleased to be able to write to inform you of an optional offer that we are able to make for the end of this academic year. As you are aware, all statutory primary assessments have, for a second year, been cancelled due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. As such there has not been a complete Lancashire School Information Profile (LSIP) provided. For this year we are able to offer you a succinct version, the Optional Lancashire School Information Profile (OLSIP), covering Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics, Year 2 Teacher Assessment and Year 6 Writing.

We will be offering to collect:

EYFS – Early Learning Goals (ELG) judgements (including early adopter schools of the new framework).

Year 1 Phonics Screening using a previous check.

Year 2 Phonics – Have the children achieved the Phonics Check by the end of Year 2?

Year 2 Teacher Assessment – Using the KS1 Teacher Assessment Framework and associated language.

Year 6 Writing Teacher Assessment – Using the KS2 Teacher Assessment Framework and associated language.

This offer has arisen due to feedback from head teachers, senior leaders and assessment co-ordinators who feel it would be a useful document, especially as it would allow a school to compare their data to all those schools that take part in the project. This is a **completely optional choice and any data that you send into the team will not be used for any form of accountability and will be for school internal use only.** The service will be free to all SSG Schools. For non-SSG Schools there is a cost of £150 which will cover all of the above.

In addition, you may choose to only take advantage of certain aspects of the OLSIP above. In this case you would simply only submit the areas that you have completed data for.

Once collected the document will offer you:

- Breakdown of results for all children, including the percentage achieving each judgement.
- Comparative data to the average of all the schools in the project.
- Breakdown of data for girls and boys in the cohort.
- Graphical representation of results in the style of the LSIP.

By offering this data collection option we are not suggesting that schools have to use the above standardised assessment materials when assessing children this academic year. Fundamentally, how a school decides to assess children at the end of this academic year is for them to decide.

We will write again shortly with detailed instructions of how to take part and how to submit your data. A date of Friday 2 July 2021 has been set as a deadline for any submissions. This will allow the data team an opportunity to contact you if there are any submission errors or difficulties before the end of term.

In the meantime, if you have any queries about the Optional LSIP, please contact the Professional Support Team at Lancashire County Council, by telephone on 01772 531555 or by email on pst@lancashire.gov.uk. Alternatively email Mike Thompson, Assessment Consultant on mike.thompson@lancashire.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee Pimlott', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lee Pimlott
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