Data Collection and Analysis Newsletter

Autumn term 2023/24

For primary schools

Welcome to the 2023/2024 autumn term edition of the Data Collection and Analysis Newsletter for primary schools. The aim of this newsletter is to communicate relevant issues, changes and improvements in the LA's data collection, analysis, and reporting procedures, as well as to publicise the services and information we offer.

As usual, please can administrators ensure they pass a copy of this newsletter on to their head and assessment lead, so these important updates reach the relevant people in each school.

Schools Research and Data Team

The Schools Research and Data Team continue to provide a variety of services concerning the collection, analysis, and reporting of a range of data including school and pupil performance, inclusion, SEND, Virtual School, and school place planning data.

We have recently had two new members of the team join us:

- Emma Chapman – Performance and Data Analyst (SEND) joined us at the end of August,
- Shane Ryan – Senior Performance and Data Analyst joined us at the end of October.

Finally, Jen will be moving to part time working during November (3 days per week).

The team remains hybrid, with regular in-the-office days. Personal contact details can be found at the bottom of this newsletter but please continue to use schoolsdatateam@ealing.gov.uk for general enquiries. Our shared inbox enables any member of the team to pick up urgent enquiries and respond in a timely manner, in the absence of specific area leads.

Autumn school census 2023

At the time of writing, all Ealing LA maintained schools have submitted their autumn census return, we appreciate your ongoing cooperation and responsiveness in resolving errors, queries and duplicates. For those academies and free schools who are yet to submit, the deadline for academy submissions has passed (Wednesday 1st November), the COLLECT database closes for amendments on Wednesday 29th November.

Spring school census 2024

Spring 2024 school census day is Thursday 18th January 2024. As usual the local authority ask that schools submit their return by Friday 19th January and notify us if there is likely to be a delay beyond this in making your return.

Further information and updates will be made available once autumn census closes on the EGfL - https://www.egfl.org.uk/finance-and-data/data-collection/school-census.

School workforce census 2023

School workforce census was Thursday 2nd November 2023. As usual we asked LA maintained schools to submit by Friday 3 November. Remember all errors and queries in COLLECT need to be

addressed before the LA can approve your return. It is also important to ensure that you have checked all the reports on COLLECT to make sure the data you have submitted is correct.

School workforce is a statutory return. Data from the return is published at school level on the DfE's explore education statistics and GIAS websites, and in your IDSR, so it is important that you check your submission thoroughly for accuracy. This year it will also serve as the funding basis for the new Early Careers Framework.

More information can be found online on the EGfL and the DfE website:

- School workforce census (SWC) | Ealing Grid for Learning (egfl.org.uk)
- School workforce census: guide to submitting data - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Children in part time or alternative provision

The schools data team are no longer collecting the children in part time or alternative provision biannual data return. Schools are now asked to submit this data on a referral basis via gateway. More details can be found online here - Attendance, CME and CMOE notifications and processes | Ealing Grid for Learning (egfl.org.uk). Please contact the attendance / CME team with any queries.

School reports on the EGfL

For ELP Schools (or schools who buy directly into the data team service): Your FSP, KS1 and KS2 (provisional) attainment reports were made available toward the start of term on the EGFL. A one-page data (link partner) summary containing headline primary attainment data was also published recently.

We aim to publish Ethnicity and SEN attainment reports in November.

Primary attendance benchmark reports and school place planning reports were published for schools in September-October.

Summaries of attainment and attendance for children with a social worker, children with SEN, and Black Caribbean and Somali pupils, have also recently been made available - or will be updated shortly.

As always when reports are published by the team we put out a news item via the EGFL, so do sign up for weekly gatekeeping emails to make sure you are kept updated - Gatekeeping news | Ealing Grid for Learning (egfl.org.uk)

Any queries relating to EGFL logins please contact egflwebteam@ealing.gov.uk. For any queries or comments on the content of the reports on the school or LA report pages, please contact Jen or Shane.

Resource for Schools: Perspective Lite

We would like to remind ELP schools that last year logins were issued for a new self-service data and reporting tool called Perspective Lite - Perspective (angelsolutions.co.uk). Provisional KS2 data has been imported into the system, and there are various report templates available for schools explore. If this is something you are yet to use – or need a reminder of your login – please email franchettim@ealing.gov.uk.

Additional Support for Schools

We offer a tailored service to schools through buy-back. Schools can book a member of our team to come into school and talk to data managers, senior management, classroom teachers, and/or governors about their school's data. This can include using performance data; and/or improving pupil tracking and information management. Schools can also commission the Research and Data Team to undertake additional analysis or training above and beyond that currently offered.

This buy back service is available for 2023/24 at a cost of £350 per half day (£450 non ELP schools) (or on a pro rata basis), subject to availability and capacity, and can be booked by contacting Jen.

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