

## Preparing for Adulthood from the Early Years (PfAEY)

It has been nearly nine years since the ideas around Preparing for Adulthood from the Early Years (PfAEY) emerged and the expectations on schools to prepare all young people for adult life through personal development have grown in that time.

Preparing for Adulthood is what all schools do for all young people – but that offer is not always drawn together and recognised. Our refreshed ‘Preparing for Adulthood from the Earliest Years’ Review Guide was trialled with schools in Oxfordshire who found that taking part in the process resulted in:

- A clear focus and drive for school improvement
- More widely shared expertise and good practice
- Better understanding of the rationale of PfAEY
- A clear and strategic vision for embedding PfAEY
- A named PfAEY governor.

Becky Jones is our Deputy Regional SEND Leader for South Central England and North West London. In [a new blog](#), she shares her experiences of carrying out a PfAEY Review as part of the trial - the aspirations behind it, the process involved, and the advice she'd give to others considering the activity. As part of the Universal SEND Services programme, we will be recruiting 80 nursery, primary, secondary and school sixth form settings to carry out a review in the Autumn term of 2023. Settings will receive training and support to carry out the review, and will be encouraged to produce an analysis report and action plan. Participating schools may also have an opportunity to cascade PfAEY training and support to a partner school next year.

If you would like to be considered as a participant, please [register your interest](#) today so that we can contact you about next steps in the process.

More information can be found on our [School Improvement for SEND webpage](#).

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