



## Newsletter - September 2020

Welcome back to a new school year. We are aware of how difficult and challenging the past six months has been for everyone and the Partners at PFSI hope you have managed to enjoy a break over the summer period and the new term has settled down well for you.

### **PfSI Website - Updated schools password**

To maintain the 'schools area' of the website solely for PFSI schools, each year we update the password access for this part of the site. The new password for PFSI schools to access the schools tab of the website has been emailed directly to schools working with a PFSI Partner via e-newsletter.

There are now over 90 self-evaluation and school improvement tools and templates available on the site in the 'schools area' section, including updated Ofsted documentation for the Ofsted Framework. [Click on this link](#) and then enter the new PFSI password above to log in. We are regularly updating and adding new documents, so it's worth having a look at the documentation available to support your self-evaluation and school improvement processes.

### **Upcoming CPD Events**

We are currently not planning to offer any face to face CPD this term due to the COVID-19 restrictions, but we are looking to the future and hope that if you have suggestions about what we might offer in 2021, you will contact us.

We have identified several helpful online CPD links which we hope you might find useful:

EEF Covid-19 related resources can be accessed at: <https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/covid-19-resources/>

EdTech. You will see that there is a button to request free bespoke support: <https://edtech-demonstrator.lgfl.net/home>

Schools can also access some free support for Computing through their local Computing Hub: <https://teachcomputing.org/hubs>

Other helpful resource links:

<https://www.ambition.org.uk/research-and-insight/>

<https://www.ambition.org.uk/coronavirus-response/summer-series-catch-up/>

## Future plans and news

The Pfsi partners are very happy to offer a 1:1 conversation about current concerns or any school related difficulties. Although we may not be able to offer a magic solution to your problem, we can be a listening ear and offer a coaching style conversation which may help. Please contact your Pfsi partner directly.

Several of us have already conducted Headteacher Appraisal meetings via ZOOM or MS Teams. If this is your preferred method of meeting at the moment, just let us know.

## Arrangements with your Pfsi Partner for 2020-21

By now you will have discussed with your Partner your ongoing requirements for the forthcoming year. Don't forget that Partners are able to offer you bespoke visits, tailored directly to your school improvement and self-evaluation priorities. The [‘services’ page](#) on our website gives you a flavour of the variety of the support we can offer you. Please do not hesitate to contact your Partner if you are seeking something that we have not listed – we may be able to help.

## Pfsi Charges for 2020-21

A reminder for you and your finance team. As of 1st September 2020, the Pfsi daily rate remains at £450 per day. This usually covers a half-day visit, plus a half-day to prepare and write any necessary reports.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your school improvement, whatever the national world of education and Covid-19 has in store for us this year! We hope the term goes well for you and all at school.

With best wishes

The Pfsi Partners