Draft evaluation and improvement (accountability) arrangements for Wales

Key planning milestones for schools to 2022

**Evaluation and improvement**

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**Self-evaluation for improvement toolkit**

- **September**: Draft self-evaluation for improvement toolkit available to schools for piloting and feedback. Regional consortia/Estyn support schools to use the draft toolkit.
- **January–September**: Implementation and refinement of toolkit following feedback.
- **September**: Final toolkit available to schools.
- **January**: Final refinement of toolkit following feedback.
- **September**: All schools use the self-evaluation for improvement toolkit.

**Authentication process**

- **April**: Estyn and regional consortia roles and responsibilities in relation to authentication and inspection and advice communicated to schools.
- **September**: Authentication process defined and co-constructed with schools. National approach with regional delivery agreed between regional consortia, Estyn and Welsh Government.
- **January**: Authentication process tested and refined with schools.
- **2021**: Authentication process in place.

**Estyn inspection**

- **2019-2020**: Current inspection cycle.
- **2019**: Development and piloting of District Inspector role.
- **Stakeholder engagement on new inspection models.**
- **January 2020**: District inspectors in place.
- **September 2020-2021**: Phase 1 – Partial suspension. HMI support for new curriculum. Development of new models of inspection including validation of self-evaluation.
- **September 2021 onwards**: Phase 2 – Inspections resume. New inspection arrangements for all schools. Validation through inspection will be phased in.

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"Every child should be taught in a school that sets high expectations for all learners and teachers."

Kirsty Williams AM
Minister for Education