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School improvement and learner attainment

Dear Colleagues,

We are undertaking a short, focused piece of work looking at school improvement and learner attainment. Our areas of interest for this work are:

- The future of school improvement arrangements and how the Welsh Government, local authorities and relevant partners work together to deliver the highest possible standards of education. (For example, the School Improvement Partnership programme, which is developing a new approach in place of the regional consortia, as referred to by the Cabinet Secretary for Education's statements of [17 October 2024](#), [5 November 2024](#) and [29 January 2025](#)).
- Educational outcomes of learners and gaps in attainment between groups of pupils.
- Factors impacting on educational progress such as pupil absence, deprivation, funding and workforce capacity.

We would welcome any views you have on these areas or any other issues linked to these issues which you think we should be aware of, by Friday 2 May.

We will be holding a roundtable with stakeholders in early May, followed by a session with the Cabinet Secretary for Education on 21 May.

If you have any questions about our request, please contact the Committee Clerk on seneddchildren@senedd.wales

Yours sincerely,





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Chair

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.



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