

Briefings for Headteachers of Primary Schools on the new Ofsted arrangements and the Self-Evaluation Form

Ofsted believes that schools are best placed to recognise their own strengths and weaknesses. The new inspection system puts more onus on a school to demonstrate that it can diagnose where its strengths and weaknesses are and to do something about improving and developing them. The self-evaluation form (SEF) is at the heart of the new inspection arrangements.

The SEF asks schools:

- To evaluate their progress against an inspection schedule
- To set out the main evidence on which the evaluation is based
- To identify strengths and weaknesses
- To explain the action the school is taking to remedy the weaknesses and develop the strengths.

Briefings for primary headteachers are taking place to discuss the new Ofsted system and the use of the self-evaluation form. This will include discussion about changes to the Norfolk Self Review arrangements. In addition, there will be an opportunity to discuss the new Ofsted materials on Interpreting Data, a central aspect of self-evaluation.

These briefing sessions will provide important information for Norfolk primary schools and we look forward to seeing all headteachers at one of the sessions (which are free of charge).

The briefings will be led by Terry Cook (Principal Adviser, School Performance, Monitoring and Inclusion) and Robin Ings (Primary Maths Adviser).

The dates/venues are as follows:

Area	Ref.	Date	Time	Venue
Central	5RN109	24/06/05	1.30-4.00 pm	Norwich PDC
North	5RN110	18/07/05	2.15-4.45 pm	The Links Hotel, West Runton
South East	5RN111	30/06/05	9.00-11.30 pm	Pinebanks Hotel, Norwich
West	5RN112	19/07/05	9.00-11.30 pm	West Norfolk PDC

If it would be more convenient for you to attend at different date to the one for your area it should be possible to attend other venues.

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