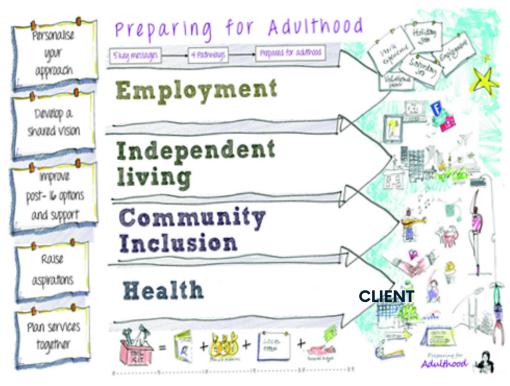
## Preparation For Adulthood from the Earliest Years





## What is 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.

## **The Project**

The PfAEY self-review project is a great opportunity to review how preparation for adulthood is being conducted in your setting. With the support of training from your regional SEND lead (RSL) as well as support from nasen's central team you'll be conducting your own self-review. During the regional training you will discuss:

- What is meant by Preparation for Adulthood from the Earliests Years
- How to complete a selfevaluation to have the greatest effect
- How your action plan can be used to drive school improvement.

Then in Year 2 of the project you will be sharing your knowledge with a partner school, supporting them in their PfAEY self-review.

For more information contact Helen Chider helenc@nasen.org.uk

## **Blog post**

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.



How a Preparation for Adulthood Review helped us- Becky Jones

As a primary school in its third year of opening, with Year 2 as our eldest cohort, completing a 'Preparing