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Dear School Leaders,

London RISE Open Education Fortnight March 2026

We are writing to invite you to participate in two ways in the inaugural London Rise Open Education Fortnight (9th March - 18th March 2026).

The London RISE Open Education Fortnight aims to be a collaborative pan-London initiative showcasing and sharing exemplary educational practices that are making a positive impact on children's learning and development across all age phases. Our ambition is to deliver, with you, a London wide programme of school visits focused on the four national education priorities, thus extending teachers' and educational leaders' professional growth and learning in the following areas:

- Attendance ([RISE support for improving attendance in schools](#))
- Inclusion ([RISE support for inclusive mainstream education](#))
- Reception Year Quality ([RISE support for reception improvement](#))
- Attainment ([RISE support for improving attainment in schools](#))

We recognise that all schools have strengths and aspects of their work that are valuable to share. We hope that as part of an increasing focus on collaboration all schools will be able to be involved in sharing their practice further at some point.

It may be that for this inaugural fortnight in March 2026 your team are involved in showcasing practice, in visiting other schools, or both.

At this stage, we are seeking expressions of interest from London schools, including special education and alternative provision settings, willing to host visits for staff from other schools across London. Hosting schools should broadly meet generic criteria of strong practice and specific strength in one of the four priority areas. The criteria are highlighted in the accompanying document.

Schools interested in hosting visits should read the accompanying document and submit an expression of interest by no later than 5pm 15th December 2025. Schools will then be shortlisted by the London RISE advisors and communicated with by 13th January 2026.

If you cannot host this time, but want your staff to visit schools which will be open, we will send out further information in January about the range of opportunities which will be on offer across our region during the fortnight.

For enquiries, please contact:

- **Email:** london.riseregionalmailbox@education.gov.uk (please put open fortnight in the title)

We look forward to working with you in this exciting collaborative London-based professional development opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

London RISE Team