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Stakeholder update

Publication: early years foundation stage profile handbook

We have published the 2018 early years foundation stage (EYFS) profile [handbook](#).

It provides statutory guidance and non-statutory advice to help practitioners complete the EYFS profile and make accurate judgements about each child's attainment.

It is also for local authorities to reference when exercising their function under the EYFS (Learning and Development Requirements) Order 2007, Section 4.2.

Information: recruiting temporary external moderators in January 2018

We will shortly be advertising temporary roles to support the delivery of external moderation of teacher assessment in 2018, for the early years foundation stage, key stage 1 and key stage 2.

Vacancies for senior and operational external moderators will be advertised on REDIMO2 in January. If you wish to apply, you will need to have registered with REDIMO2 before the vacancies go live.

The roles will be for the following:

- Senior external moderators – to manage, co-ordinate and quality assure a small team of operational external moderators on behalf of STA. They will be responsible for collating feedback and quality assuring visit reports.
- Operational external moderators – to conduct external moderation visits within local authorities and write comprehensive visit reports, recording action points identified.

Details of how to register are available [here](#). Registration is a 4-part process. Each stage must be completed fully in order to access these vacancies.

If you have any queries, please contact commercial.contactpoint@education.gov.uk.

Information: next assessment update

This is the last assessment update we have planned for 2017. The next update will be sent on 9 January 2018. We hope you enjoy the Christmas break and wish you all a very happy New Year.

Information: assessment update sent to schools

The information sent to schools is as follows:

Early years foundation stage

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