

## Information Sheet for West Yorkshire Maths Hub Teaching for Mastery Qualitative Evaluation

### Information sheet for schools

#### What is the research and why is it taking place?

West Yorkshire Maths Hub (WYMH) has commissioned The National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) to undertake research into its primary teaching for mastery (TfM) work groups. The research will take place between November 21021 and March 2022.

The research will explore perceptions of the effectiveness and outcomes of WYMH's TfM work groups including schools' engagement and satisfaction with activities and perceptions of effectiveness and outcomes. The aim will be to understand the outcomes that are being realised and to identify learning, effective practice and areas for enhancement. The research will be undertaken between November 2021 and March 2022.

We would very much like you to take part in the research; your perspectives will be invaluable in informing the ongoing development of the WYMH's TfM work groups.

#### What activities will the research involve for my organisation?

The research involves ten school case studies which will include virtual interviews with the maths lead and teachers. The interviews will be semi-structured and will last around 45 minutes. The interviews will explore: schools engagement in primary TfM work groups; views on what has worked well or less well; suggestions for enhancements to meet current and future needs; and views on the benefits and outcomes that teachers, maths leads and schools have realised.

#### Data protection

WYMH is the data controller for the research. Prior to the research, WYMH will contact schools to inform them of the research and ask if they are in agreement to their contact details being passed onto NFER for the purposes of the research. Participation in all research activities is entirely voluntary. School participants will be fully briefed on the purposes of the study and how the information they provide will be used before consenting to take part. Contact details will only be used for the purposes of completing the interviews. We operate fully in-line with data protection legislation (including GDPR) and we will not use the information we receive for anything other than this research.

NFER will produce a publishable report for WYMH. No individual or organisation will be identifiable from the report, unless permission has explicitly been given by the data subject. All of the findings from the evaluation will only be shared in anonymised form.

#### Who is NFER?

NFER is an independent research organisation with many years' experience of undertaking research and evaluation with primary and secondary schools. For more information please visit: <http://www.nfer.ac.uk/>

### Where can I go for more information?

More details about the research including a link to this information sheet and an associated privacy notice can be found here: [www.nfer.ac.uk/for-schools/participate-in-research/qualitative-evaluation-of-west-yorkshire-maths-hub/](http://www.nfer.ac.uk/for-schools/participate-in-research/qualitative-evaluation-of-west-yorkshire-maths-hub/).

In addition, Suzanne Straw, the project director at NFER, or Sam Shutkever, the project manager at WYMH, are very happy to answer any questions. Please contact Suzanne on 01904 567661 or at [s.straw@nfer.ac.uk](mailto:s.straw@nfer.ac.uk) or Sam Shutkever at [sshutkever@trinitymat.org](mailto:sshutkever@trinitymat.org)

**Thank you very much for your support with this research.**