

Teacher Leader privacy notice for the effectiveness trial of Mathematical Reasoning in Year 2

1 Why are we collecting this data?

The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) has commissioned the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) to carry out an evaluation of the Mathematical Reasoning programme, developed and delivered by the University of Oxford. The purpose of this evaluation is to understand whether the Mathematical Reasoning (MR) programme can help to improve pupils' mathematical attainment when rolled out using an online professional development programme for teachers. Please refer to the School Information Sheet (available [here](#)) for more details about what the MR programme and evaluation will involve.

The trial will take place over the course of the 2024-25 academic year, with the programme delivered between November 2024 and April 2025.

This document outlines how **Teacher Leader personal data** will be collected and processed for the purposes of the evaluation.

NFER is the data controller for evaluation and will make decisions about how and what personal data is used in accordance with the objectives of the study set by EEF. The University of Oxford is the data processor for the evaluation and data controller for the programme delivery. There is a separate privacy notice, produced by University of Oxford, which covers how data is processed for programme delivery and some of their own research programme about programme implementation. This is available on NFER's [project webpage](#).

2 What is the legal basis for processing activities?

The legal basis for processing personal data is covered by GDPR Article 6 (1) (f):

Legitimate interests: the processing is necessary for your (or a third party's) legitimate interests unless there is a good reason to protect the individual's personal data which overrides those legitimate interests.

A legitimate interest assessment has been undertaken. The evaluation fulfils one of NFER's core business purposes (undertaking research, evaluation, and information activities). It has broader societal benefits and will contribute to improving the lives of learners by providing evidence about the impact of teaching techniques used in the classroom. Research cannot be done without processing personal data, but NFER will ensure your rights are respected at all times.

3 How will personal data be obtained?

NFER will initially obtain Teacher Leader personal data from Oxford University, then further data will be provided directly by the data subject.

4 What personal data is being collected by this project?

Oxford University will share the full name and contact details (email address and phone number) of each of the Teacher Leaders with NFER. This is to enable communication between NFER and the Teacher Leaders in relation to data collection activities.

In addition, a member of the NFER research team will observe a number of the support webinars offered by the Teacher Leaders to better understand the nature of the support being offered. Teacher Leaders will be notified in advance if NFER wishes to observe their webinar and will have the option to request that their webinar not be observed.

A member of the NFER research team will also invite some Teacher Leaders to participate in virtual interviews about their experience of participating in the MR programme and what they have observed among the schools they are supporting. Participation in these interviews is optional.

5 Who will personal data be shared with?

Personal data collected by the University of Oxford will be shared with NFER using NFER's secure online portal.

No personal data will be shared with anyone beyond the project team at NFER and the project team at the University of Oxford.

No individual will be named in any report for this project.

6 Is personal data being transferred outside of the UK?

No personal data is stored or transferred outside of the UK.

7 How long will personal data be retained?

NFER will delete any personal data collected as part of the evaluation within one year of publication of the final report. This deletion process is currently planned for March 2027.

Interviews recordings will be deleted as soon as the interview notes/transcripts have been finalised.

8 Can I stop my personal data being used?

NFER handles personal data in accordance with the rights given to individuals under data protection legislation. If at any time you wish us to withdraw your data or correct errors in it, please contact the project team, by email at MR-Y2@nfer.ac.uk.

In certain circumstances, data subjects have the right to restrict or object to processing. They also have the right to make a subject access request to see all the information held about them. NFER will cooperate fully when a subject access request (SAR) is made of them as a data controller. To exercise these rights, please contact NFER's Compliance Officer at compliance@nfer.ac.uk.

Requests for access, withdrawal or corrections are not possible after the data have been anonymised.

9 Who can I contact about this project?

NFER is responsible for the day-to-day management of the evaluation. If you have any queries about the project, please contact the NFER project team by email at MR-Y2@nfer.ac.uk.

If you have a concern about the way this evaluation processes personal data, we request that you raise your concern with us in the first instance (see details above). Alternatively, you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office, the body responsible for enforcing data protection legislation in the UK, at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

10 Updates

We keep this privacy notice under review to make sure it is up to date and accurate. Any changes will be noted. We recommend that you revisit this information from time to time. The date when this privacy notice was last updated is shown in the footer at the bottom of this document.