



Personal Finance
Education Group

pfeg Centres of Excellence Overview for Schools

About pfeg

pfeg is the UK's leading financial education charity. We are the most trusted provider of knowledge, resources and support for those teaching children and young people about money. **pfeg**'s vision is a society in which all children and young people have the skills, knowledge and confidence to manage their money well, now and in the future.



Centres of Excellence Programme

We are excited to announce the expansion of the **pfeg** Centres of Excellence programme. The programme aims to improve the financial capability of children and young people across the UK by supporting and rewarding schools that are taking big steps towards embedding high quality financial education. Schools that are eager to work in partnership with **pfeg** to become beacons of good practice will benefit from free consultancy support and resources. The programme is open to all primary and secondary schools, including special schools and alternative provision, but places are limited.

'At John Warner we firmly believe that a financial education is one of the best starts you can get. I'd urge every school to become a pfeg Centre of Excellence if it really values their pupils and wants to give them the skills to live full and happy lives'

**David Kennedy, Head Teacher
Centre of Excellence School, Hertfordshire**

What's on offer and the benefits to your school...

A range of support is available free of charge to schools joining the programme, including:

- Advice and support from an experienced pfeg consultant over two terms to embed a planned programme of financial education
- Staff training through one-to-one sessions, INSET and/or staff meetings
- Advice on curriculum design, lesson planning and resources including mathematics, PSHEe and Citizenship and the creative curriculum
- Networking and good practice sharing through a programme of national conferences
- Opportunities to make links with financial sector volunteers and local organisations that can add value to pupils' learning
- A three year Centre of Excellence award, certificate and engraved plaque
- Assistance with promoting your achievement in local media and to other schools nationally.



Most importantly current and future pupils will develop the skills, knowledge and confidence they need to manage their money, helping them to survive and thrive throughout their lives.

What does excellence look like?

To achieve excellence in financial education schools need to:

- ✓ Secure senior leadership commitment to financial education
- ✓ Create a financial education champion within the school
- ✓ Provide a well-planned, high quality programme of financial education that meets the needs of pupils throughout the school
- ✓ Develop trained teachers who deliver effective teaching, learning and assessment in financial education
- ✓ Involve pupils in developing and evaluating provision
- ✓ Connect what pupils learn in the classroom with life outside by making appropriate use of contributions from external organisations and financial sector volunteers
- ✓ Inspire other schools by showcasing their work

Your commitment

Although you will be supported by a pfeg consultant, your journey towards excellence needs to be driven by your school and staff team. We envisage it will take approximately two terms for a school to achieve the award. During that period you will need to find time to meet with your consultant, and to make the necessary progress between meetings. School staff will need to be available to attend training and for curriculum development and the financial champion in your school will need to attend a Centres of Excellence conference.

Please get in touch

If you would like to know more about how **pfeg** helps schools plan and teach financial education, or to talk to us in more detail about the Centres of Excellence programme, please contact:

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