The Education Endowment Foundation

Independent charity dedicated to raising the attainment of 3-18 yearolds, particularly those facing disadvantage; developing their essential life skills; and preparing young people for the world of work and further study

- Founded in 2011 by lead charity the Sutton Trust, in partnership with Impetus, with a £125m founding grant from the Department for Education.
- The government-designated What Works Centre for Improving Education Outcomes for School-aged Children.













Our funding model

The plan

£125m from government + £33m from investments + £42m from fundraising =£200m for mission over 15 years

- 7% maximum spent on overheads

To date....

- Additional £16m from govt
- Investment target met
- £29m of fundraising
- Committed c£100m
- Additional Leverage of c£50m
- 5% overheads

- Planning to continue post 2026





What we do ...





Evidence Generation

Evidence Mobilisation

- We support teachers and school leaders to use evidence to inform their decision-making.
- We believe evidence helps schools to make the best decisions, and invest in areas most likely to lead to improvements in pupil outcomes.



Key challenges

- Engagement with and independence from government
- Quick wins vs long term view
- Partnerships (academic and delivery)
- Failure rates 3 in 4
- Challenge of impact at scale (replication)
- Balance of activities; where do we stop? (Influence vs direct delivery)
- Expectations and silver bullets





