

NYC Primary Assessment and Moderation – 2026-27

Statutory Assessment and Moderation Offer

In 2026/27 North Yorkshire Local Authority's offer for all maintained schools with regard to primary school statutory assessment and moderation will include:

- Statutory moderation of Year 6 writing with at least 25% of schools.
- Re-moderation of year 6 writing, if required.
- Statutory monitoring of the Year 1 phonics screening check with at least 10% of schools.
- Statutory monitoring of the Key Stage 2 tests with at least 10% of schools.
- Maladministration investigations, if required.
- Follow up to any appeals, if required.

In 2025/26 NYC's KS2 external moderation will be offered as a hybrid model: remote and face to face discussions, via central location moderation (TBA).

Academies Written Moderation Agreement

Each year the Standards and Testing Agency requires every academy (converted before the beginning of September 2026) to have a written moderation agreement in place with their selected local authority. For most academies in North Yorkshire, they choose the NYC school improvement service to provide monitoring and moderation services. This agreement must be in place between an academy and LA, and submitted on the NCA Portal by early January 2027.

When an academy selects NYC for these services, entering into the NYC 2026-27 Primary Assessment and Moderation Service Level Agreement will be the written agreement with the LA. This will include all of the above offer (as for LA maintained schools) alongside the SLA information detailed below. The PAMSLA for 2026/27 has been set up by NYES as a rolling contract. If your academy has not purchased it previously and would like to for this year, please contact Lindsay Miller directly. North Yorkshire can provide this service to schools from any local authority.

If 10 or more schools within a multi academy trust buy in to the NYC Primary Assessment and Moderation Service Level Agreement, the MAT will receive a 10% discount. Please contact Lindsay Miller directly if you wish to access this 10+ schools 10% discount.

Service Level Agreement – for all schools and academies

For 2026-27, North Yorkshire School Improvement Service will be offering a high-quality, comprehensive package of remote training and support for statutory assessment and moderation to all local authority maintained primary, special, infant and junior schools and primary academies that remain with NYC.

Included in the SLA:

- Unlimited attendance on the majority of NYES statutory assessment training courses, and one place per school for the KS2 moderation sessions in March 2027 (*to access preference to these moderation session places, schools/academies must book by 07.12.26*).
- Updates from the Primary Assessment and Moderation Lead, to ensure that schools are regularly kept up to date with primary statutory assessment matters.
- Bespoke advice and support for school leaders and teachers, via email and telephone from the NYC Primary Assessment and Moderation Lead.
- Support with remote moderation as part of the hybrid model on offer.

PAM SLA COSTS for 2026/27

Local Authority School	£425	<i>check out in NYES</i>
Each additional LA maintained school in a federation	£120	<i>check out in NYES</i>
Academy	£605	<i>check out in NYES</i>
MAT discount for 10+ schools	10% discount	<i>contact Lindsay Miller</i>

Training

All training courses will take place remotely using Teams. Booking through NYES/SLA online. If you choose not to purchase the PAMSLA, courses are charged individually.

Course Title	Dates	Code	Timings	Cost
Statutory Assessment - Teachers new to Year 6 - 2026/27 (2 session course)	12.11.26 and 17.11.26	SI-1126-T001	1:00pm–4:00pm	£230
Statutory Assessment - Experienced Year 6 Teachers - 2026/27	26.11.26	SI-1126-T002	1:00pm–4:00pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Experienced Year 6 Teachers - 2026/27	01.12.26	SI-1226-T001	1:00pm–4:00pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Experienced Year 6 Teachers - 2026/27	18.01.27	SI-0127-T001	1:00pm–4:00pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - preparing for the phonics screening check - June 2027	21.01.27	SI-0127-T003	1:15pm–2:45pm	£75
Statutory Assessment - preparing for the phonics screening check - June 2027	26.01.27	SI-0127-T004	1:15pm–2:45pm	£75
Statutory Assessment - Test Readiness for Year 6 Teachers - 2026/27 (2 session course)	20.01.27 and 28.01.27	SI-0127-T002	1:00pm–3:00pm 1:00pm–3:00pm	£190
Statutory Assessment - preparing for the Y4 MTC - June 2027	02.02.27	SI-0227-T001	1:00pm–3:00pm	£95
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	09.03.27	SI-0327-T001	9am – 12pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	09.03.27	SI-0327-T002	1 – 4pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	10.03.27	SI-0327-T004	9am – 12pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	10.03.27	SI-0327-T003	1 – 4pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	11.03.27	SI-0327-T005	9am – 12pm	£115
Statutory Assessment - Moderation of Writing - Year 6***	11.03.27	SI-0327-T006	1 – 4pm	£115

*** Preference is given to schools in the SLA and must be booked by 07.12.2026 (one place per school). Bookings after this date are open to all schools and must be booked by 18.02.2026.

The NYC Primary Assessment and Moderation SLA can be purchased through NYES/SLA Online.

NYC Contact

Any questions about phonics, KS2 moderation, monitoring or statutory guidance should be directed to NYC's Primary Assessment and Moderation Lead, Lindsay Miller - Lindsay.Miller@northyorks.gov.uk 07970051825. If your school is not part of the SLA, any advice and support will be charged per hour (or part thereof). Please contact NYES to discuss your needs and a quote.

Additional Y1-Y5 Writing Moderation Service Offer – 2025-26

The LA will continue to offer a traded Y1–Y5 writing moderation service, which can be purchased **in addition to** the PAM SLA detailed above, or as a stand-alone purchase.

These remote cross-school writing moderation sessions will be available for teachers from year groups 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and will be facilitated and led by the LA Primary Assessment and Moderation Lead. Each year group will have the option to join one afternoon session during the academic year, from a selection of dates offered in the spring and summer terms. Teachers will share a sample of pupils' writing which will be discussed and moderated in small groups. These moderation discussions will be rooted in the year group expectations from the national curriculum for writing and the DfE July 2025 writing framework.

Due to the nature of moderation, delegate numbers will have to be limited for these sessions, therefore it is recommended to purchase this Y1-Y5 moderation service and book the dates early, to guarantee places for your teachers. It is a rolling contract for those who participated last year. Please contact Lindsay Miller directly if you wish to join this service for 2025/26.

Year Group	Spring	Summer
Year 1	02.03.27	08.06.27
Year 2	03.03.27	09.06.27
Year 3	04.03.27	25.05.27
Year 4	15.03.27	26.05.27
Year 5	16.03.27	27.05.27

**Y1-Y5 moderation
service cost for 2026/27
£237 per school**