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I have really enjoyed working with Educater to get all our assessment frameworks onto one system. Working in a SEN school with students aged from 11-19 has meant we needed a system that can include students working on the engagement model all the way to secondary school. With a range of frameworks available on Educater, this gave us a great starting point to develop and create our own content.

The features such as creating your own curriculum content and being able to customise all aspects of the system were really beneficial for us to be able to break down targets for students and show progress. Having all options available to customise, such as marking type, stars per target and stars per year group helped create challenging but achievable targets for all of our SEN students.

The guidance from Educater is a real help with clear information stored in the learning hub ready for you to access at any time. These include help sheets, video walkthroughs and webinars. Another feature I have used regularly is the live chat to quickly solve an issue as Educater has someone available to speak to who knows the system well during school hours.

Currently, as a school, we are starting to use the observation tracker. The observation tracker is a digital recording tool that makes recording observations easy. At Seven Hills School we are finding the observation tracker great to capture moments of learning and achievement that the students are doing practically. Having them all stored in one place and then being able to create learning journals is a fantastic way to evidence what students have been learning about. Another feature that I really like about the observation tracker is the potential to share observations with families of students so they too can see what the students have been doing at school.

In regard to data input and monitoring assessment, I believe Educater is very user friendly. To input you just click on the relevant statement (depending how you customise your own school's setting) and tracking student progress can be done using the reports. Educater has a wide variety of report templates to use, with both static and interactive reports available. These reports can include the whole school, year groups, classes or individual students and can be filtered by; term, gender, pupil premium and SEN. Reports are all colour coded (with key attached) to make data visually clear and for you to spot any trends/patterns quickly. All historical data is saved and backed up by Educater, so you never have to worry about losing any data.