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Mrs Pat Ward Headteacher Wath Comprehensive School Sandygate Wath-on-Dearne Rotherham South Yorkshire S63 7NW

Dear Mrs Ward

Ofsted survey inspection programme – 14-19 reforms

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff, pupils and students during my visit on Wednesday 17 October as part of our survey on 14-19 developments in the local area.

The visit provided valuable information which will contribute to our national evaluation and reporting. This report, which will be produced in the summer of 2008, will highlight good practice and identify improvements to be made. Published reports are likely to list the names of the contributing institutions, but individual institutions will not be identified in the main text.

The school demonstrates its commitment to the development of the 14-19 curriculum in the following ways:

- A good strategic approach in terms of managing the development of 14-19 provision leading to appropriate curriculum development.
- Good support from Connexions and good opportunities for work experience.
- Good personal development strategies which motivate the pupils well and encourage a mature approach towards future progression and development.

You have identified as areas for further development:

 The promotion to pupils and parents of the new on-line prospectus for Rotherham. If there are any points or aspects of the visit you wish to discuss, please get in touch. As we will be evaluating the survey, you may be contacted in the future to find out your views. I hope you will contribute to this evaluation. Thank you once again.

Yours sincerely

Michael Miller Additional Inspector