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Dear Mrs Pepper

Ofsted survey inspection programme: evaluation of Rotherham
Ready enterprise initiative (good practice visit)

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff, during my visit on 17 June to look at work in enterprise education.

The visit provided valuable information which will contribute to our national evaluation and reporting. Published reports are likely to list the names of the contributing institutions, but individual institutions will not be identified in the main text without their consent. All feedback letters will be published on the Ofsted website at the end of each half-term.

The visit included: interviews with staff and pupils, a scrutiny of relevant documentation and pupils' work and observation of three lessons.

Features of good practice observed

- Senior leaders' clear vision for enterprise education, which is shared by staff.
- The external endorsement of provision through the Warwick Centre for Education and Industry award that has provided the school with a valuable tool for self-evaluation.
- The excellent use of role play to develop pupils' understanding of money.
- In the lessons observed, the full engagement of all pupils in team work and the good support provided by teachers, including encouraging pupils to reflect on their learning.
- The savings scheme associated with the school book shop which helps pupils develop their skills in managing money.
- The underpinning of enterprise activities in lessons through the development of basic financial and economic understanding during 'focus' days and enterprise weeks.

The area for further improvement, which we discussed:

- evaluating the impact of enterprise provision and the learning that has taken place.

I hope these observations are useful as you continue to promote enterprise provision in the school.

As I explained in my previous letter, a copy of this letter will be sent to your local authority and will be published on Ofsted's website. It will also be available to the team for your next institutional inspection.

Yours sincerely

Adrian Lyons
Her Majesty's Inspector