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Dear Mrs Ryan

Ofsted subject survey: evaluation of Rotherham Ready enterprise initiative

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff and pupils, during my visit with Marcia Headon 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.

The visit included: observations of lessons, discussions with pupils and teachers and looking at pupils' work.

Features of good practice observed

- The strong commitment of yourself, your 'enterprise champion' and other teachers to developing enterprise education throughout the school.
- The strong focus on using enterprise education to promote better teaching and learning and raising achievement.
- Pupils' enjoyment and enthusiasm engendered by engaging in an excellent range of enterprise projects.
- The increased motivation of pupils, for example in their writing, generated through their involvement in real projects, such as organising and running a disco.
- The use made by teachers and pupils of the Rotherham Ready enterprise capabilities to identify the skills being developed in lessons.

- The developing use of scrapbooks for pupils to record evidence of their enterprise learning.
- Pupils' developing understanding of enterprise and their growing self-confidence in presenting their ideas.

Areas for development that we discussed included:

- building on current practice to provide a more rigorous assessment of pupils' progress in developing their enterprise capabilities
- ensuring teachers ask challenging questions to develop pupils' deeper understanding of key ideas, as well as their enterprise skills
- strengthening links with secondary schools to ensure that pupils continue to make progress in their enterprise education in the next phase of their education.

I hope these observations are useful for the future development of work in this area.

As I explained previously, 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

David Butler
Her Majesty's Inspector