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Dear Ms Dodgshon

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

Thank you for a very enjoyable and useful visit to your school on 18 June to look at work in enterprise education. I would particularly like to thank your deputy for arranging the programme and giving up a great deal of her time during the day. 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 parts of three lessons and discussions with students and teachers.

Features of good practice observed

- The strong commitment of senior managers and teachers to promoting enterprise education for all students as part of the culture of the school.
- The common understanding of enterprise education being developed through the Rotherham Ready enterprise capabilities.
- The good opportunities available to students to develop their enterprise capability through subjects, special events and extra-curricular activities.
- The development of students' enterprise skills and understanding in the lessons observed.

- Students' enthusiasm, skills and understanding developed through the work of the Young Chamber.
- The effective links with businesses to develop enterprise education.
- The good provision for vocational education and personalised learning, both of which include a strong focus on developing enterprise skills and business understanding.
- The use being made of the recently established horticulture centre to develop students' enterprise skills and business understanding in a real context.

Areas for development that we discussed, included:

- building on current systems to provide better ways of assessing students' progress in developing enterprise capabilities and business understanding
- strengthening the provision made for all students for personal finance education and economic and business understanding
- promoting the approaches to teaching and learning that will best develop students' enterprise capability.

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