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Dear Ms Gammon

Ofsted survey inspection programme – 14-19 reforms

Thank you for your hospitality and cooperation, and that of your staff and students, during my visit on 30 September 2008 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. Published reports are likely to list the names of the contributing institutions, but individual institutions will not be identified in the main text.

Overall, the contribution the school is making towards the implementation of the Creative and Media Diploma and functional skills by the consortium is satisfactory. I outline the main findings as bullet points below.

The main strengths are:

- strong emphasis on inter-disciplinary activity that opens students' imaginations to creative possibilities
- enthusiastic and committed students
- imaginative creation by teachers of an electronic shared portfolio to capture students' work as it is produced.

Areas for further development:

- increase the opportunities for teachers to observe and share each others' lessons or see and discuss some of the outcomes of inter-disciplinary work
- further clarify the distinctiveness of the diploma course when compared with other level 2 qualifications offered by the school in the same subject field.

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

Alan Marsh
Her Majesty's Inspector