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Mr I Knights Headteacher Hamble Community Sports College Satchell Lane Hamble Hants **SO31 4NE** 

Dear Mr Knights

Ofsted survey inspection programme: the extent and quality of provision for pupils from day 6 of exclusion

Thank you for meeting with me on Wednesday 5 November 2008 and for telling me about the work of your school in relation to the extent and quality of provision for pupils from day 6 of exclusion.

The meeting was very useful because you were able to describe and evaluate the development of the school's work in improving the management of behaviour and in reducing the need to exclude students on a fixed-term basis for more than five days. These things included:

- the review of the school's approach to teaching and learning, with the aim of making all lessons of good quality, and so reducing the disaffection which can lead to misbehaviour, truancy and potentially to exclusion
- the complete overhaul of the school's pastoral structures and systems, leading to a more unified service for all students with additional needs and the deployment of staff in areas where their expertise can be of greatest encouragement to good behaviour
- the further improvements to the curriculum, giving all students an appropriate range of subjects for their ages and abilities, and
- the very extensive range of activities in the school's sports college and community programmes, giving every student the chance of challenge and fulfilment.

These improvements have played a significant part in decreasing the risk of exclusion and promoting inclusion in your school. Attendance has risen strongly as these measures have been introduced.

The visit will provide much useful evidence for our survey. Thank you once again for your co-operation in helping me gain an insight into the work of your school.

The school will not be named in any publication without your permission. Most evidence will be used at a general level to ascertain if schools and local authorities are complying with legislation and to identify the quality and extent of their provision.

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

Yours sincerely

Martin Pavey Additional Inspector