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Dear Mrs Groves

Ofsted survey inspection programme – 14-19 reforms

Thank you for your hospitality and cooperation, and that of your staff and pupils during my visit on 11 February 2009 as part of our survey on 14-19 developments including Diplomas 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.

It was good to see pupils who were motivated and engaged, enjoying the construction and the built environment Diploma programme.

The school has clearly demonstrated its commitment to the Diploma programme as part of the wider 14-19 reforms and has contributed to the successful planning and preparation for taking forward the Diploma programme in the local area.

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

Paul Joyce Her Majesty's Inspector