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Dear Mr Brown

Ofsted subject survey: developing children's economic well-being in primary schools

Thank you for your hospitality and co-operation, and that of your staff and pupils, during my visit on 02 June 2009 to look at work in developing children's economic well-being.

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 evidence used to inform the judgements made included: visits to lessons, discussions with children and staff, a review of documentation and a scrutiny of children's work.

The overall effectiveness of the provision to develop pupils' economic well-being was judged to be good.

Features of good practice observed

- The development of children's organisational, team-working and decision-making skills.
- The development of children's knowledge and understanding of economic and financial concepts using topical, real-life examples: such as the relationship between resource-rich and technology-rich countries, fair-trade and the sustainability of resources.
- The development of children's use of appropriate technical vocabulary.

- A well-organised curriculum; the development of economic well-being is both planned and taught across the whole curriculum.
- Well-managed opportunities for children to use their own initiative and develop organisational skills in both mini-enterprise activities and charity work, such as the 'Green Fingers' enterprise project.
- Extremely good use of links with other organisations to develop learning.

Area for development that we discussed

- Building on the current review of the effectiveness of work in personal, social, health and citizenship education and fully implementing plans to further embed personal finance education into the curriculum.

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

Russell Jordan  
Her Majesty's Inspector