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Dear Abbey Grange Academy students

Thank you for making us feel so welcome when we recently visited your academy to assess 'Investors in Pupils'. You were all extremely polite, friendly and well behaved. You are obviously proud of your academy and the work you are doing to make it an even better place for everyone. Thank you for helping to make the assessment visit go so smoothly.

We are very grateful to all the students who came to talk to us; helping us to understand the running of the academy. Everyone was extremely helpful and did an excellent job representing Abbey Grange Academy.

We were really pleased to find out about the many things that the staff do to help you as they obviously work hard to make the academy such a good place to be where everyone enjoys their learning. You gave us numerous examples of the ways you have taken responsibility for your learning, how you have supported each other and how you have contributed to the development of the academy and the community.

You told us that:

- You work together to make this academy a better place for everyone and the rules, targets and rewards are important to you.
- You help and care for each other especially younger students, newcomers and visitors to the school.
- Behaviour is good and you really enjoy taking responsibility.
- You enjoy coming to school and understand how your learning will help you in the future.
- Your teachers make lessons interesting and you get a lot of opportunities to take responsibility for your own learning.
- You are very keen to achieve your targets especially relating to attendance and punctuality.
- Your ideas are listened to and are taken forward through the student council.
- You have a good understanding of the different roles of school staff and the importance of looking after equipment and resources.
- You really enjoy the various enrichments such as teams, competitions, clubs, trips and activities which you take part in, and
- You are rightly proud of the fundraising activity you do both for the school and for the wider community.

We have made some recommendations for the future to make 'Investors in Pupils' even better in your academy. I am sure Mr Norden will talk to you about these. We expect that you will also have some ideas of your own to contribute.

Well done to you all! I hope that you are going to celebrate now that you have achieved the 'Investors in Pupils' accreditation. We really enjoyed our visit to your academy – keep up the good work!

Yours sincerely,

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