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Dear Mrs. Williamson

Dover Christ Church Academy

I am writing following your recent section 5 inspection. Although your school was judged to require improvement overall, I was pleased to see that your leadership and management were judged to be good.

Despite the challenge of recruiting to specialist roles, you have remained committed to improving the quality of teaching and learning for all pupils. By successfully developing the school's curriculum, you have raised pupils' aspirations and achievement, including for disadvantaged pupils. I am particularly pleased to read that staff morale is high, and that your efforts to improve teachers' professional development have been successful. It is also reassuring that you are making good use of a wide range of support, including the specialist facilities provided by the school's sponsor, Canterbury Christ Church University.

I know that you and your team will be continuing your good work. I hope this will be reflected in your next inspection outcome, probably in two years' time or so.

In the meantime, I have asked Christopher Russell, Regional Director, South East region, and his Senior HMI to be available if you wish to discuss your progress.

Yours sincerely

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