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**Amanda Spielman**  
Her Majesty's Chief Inspector

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*Dear Mr. Kane*

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.

I am encouraged to read that you, other leaders, the chief executive officer of the multi-academy trust and the academy board have a clear vision of where you want the school to be. You are all working together purposefully to achieve this. The inspection report makes it clear that pupils are a credit to the school. Relationships between pupils and staff are strong and behaviour is of a good standard. Additionally, leaders promote and enrich pupils' personal development effectively. While there is further work to be done to improve the quality of education, the progress made so far is encouraging to see.

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 HMI, Regional Director, South East, and his Senior HMI to be available if you wish to discuss your progress.

Yours sincerely

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