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Cabinet Secretary for Education



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Lynne Neagle AM,
Chair, Children, Young People and Education Committee

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Dear Lynne,

It has been six months since I launched *Education in Wales: Our national mission*, the action plan that sets out how we will transform education, and deliver the ambitious and learning element of *Prosperity for All*.

We are making good progress. In the first six months we are on track, having delivered against expectations for the 2017 milestones, and we also anticipate meeting the spring 2018 milestones. However, this is a huge reform, and despite the positive start to our Programme, there is still much more to be done.

Our Pioneer Schools represent a huge part of the work to be undertaken, and are leading the way as we develop our six Areas of Learning Experience (AoLE). I would be delighted if you could see this work first hand, and so I write to extend a warm invitation to you and the other members of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to visit our Pioneer Schools so you can see and hear about the work that is ongoing to transform education in Wales.

If you are content, invitations will be sent to Committee members from Pioneer schools within their local area, so that they can meet those working at the forefront of this reform and hear directly from young people. Of course, the offer of regular briefings by my officials to committee members also remains in place, should you and members find it useful.

I hope that the members will take up this opportunity to meet with our Pioneer School representatives and that they will find the visits useful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kirsty Williams'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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