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9 December 2016

Dear Mr Griffiths,

Tonypandy Community College

Schools requiring special measures following Section 28 inspection

As you know, a team of inspectors, led by Steven Pringle, Reporting Inspector, visited your school recently in order to monitor the progress made since the last monitoring visit in June 2016.

Outcome of the monitoring visit

Tonypandy Community College is judged to have made good progress since the Section 28 inspection. We will now remove the school from the list of schools requiring special measures. A report, including a statement to this effect, will be published on Estyn's website alongside the Section 28 inspection report. There will be no further Estyn monitoring visits in relation to this inspection.

The report will be published on 15 December 2016. We share this information with you in confidence. You will be aware that until the report is published, any information about Estyn's judgements and the content of the report should remain confidential (to the school) until the above date.

I am copying this letter to Kirsty Retallick, the acting headteacher, and to Christopher Bradshaw, the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning for Rhondda Cynon Taf local authority. I am also writing to the Welsh Government to inform the Minister of my decision, to the Assembly Members for the constituency and region, and to the Member of Parliament for the constituency.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Claire Morgan
Strategic Director

cc the headteacher

cc the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning for Rhondda Cynon Taf local authority