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BIRKDALE HIGH SCHOOL
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR DISADVANTAGED PUPIL RESULTS

Dear Mr Fitzpatrick,

It gives me great pleasure to write to you and congratulate your school on the improvement in the key stage 4 results of your disadvantaged pupils since 2011.

Your results show that you have improved in terms of the attainment and value-added progress of your disadvantaged pupils since 2011, and that you are increasingly effective at educating your disadvantaged pupils. It is clear that you and your staff have provided your disadvantaged pupils with a good start in life and prepared them well for their futures.

Although you narrowly missed qualifying for the Pupil Premium Awards this year, I hope that you can build on your success through the summer 2015 results for disadvantaged pupils. If so, you may win a prize of £5000 next year in the 2016 Awards. You may also be invited to apply to win up to £250,000. You can find out more about the awards at www.pupilpremiumawards.co.uk.

I would like to congratulate your staff, governors, parents and pupils for their hard work and success, and thank you for your leadership in making such a difference to the future success of your pupils. Finally, I would also encourage you to share your achievements with other schools so that they can learn from your strengths and experience.

Yours sincerely,

David Laws MP