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Dear David

Thank you for your letter of 18 May in response to my previous letter regarding the protection of class sizes in Design & Technology Classrooms and Workshops.

With regards to the advice note, the way in which my department issues advice to schools is through the Dysg newsletters which is sent to all schools and is read by headteachers, teachers, governing bodies, local authorities, consortia and anyone else who chooses to subscribe. We have found it more effective than ad hoc mailshots to schools.

My officials will publish a note in the Dysg newsletter to remind headteachers of their duties to carry out risk assessments in schools, and in particular, of Design & Technology classes to ensure their classes are conducted safely. I will ensure a copy is sent to the Petitions Committee. This is likely to be early in the next half term.

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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