

INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF ASSESSMENT AND THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

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Dear William,

Thank you for your letter dated September 2014 ,sent on behalf of the Petitions Committee. The letter refers to a petition that the Committee has been considering from Mr Mark Griffiths on making political science a compulsory part of the school curriculum.

I am very grateful to the Committee for bringing this to my attention, and for sharing with me the findings of the recent survey on teaching political science in schools. I will certainly consider the summary of the survey - which has been provided by your research service as part of my evidence base when formulating my recommendations for the Minister for Education and Skills.

Unfortunately, my diary is heavily committed over the coming months and I am unable to meet with the petitioner at this time. However, listening is at the heart of my review, and should the petitioner wish to provide me with any further information in relation to this issue I would be more than happy to receive it. Any further information can be sent to me by email to CurriculumReview@wales.gsi.gov.uk or by post to the Review of Assessment and the Curriculum, Welsh Government, Cathays Park 2, Cardiff, Wales, CF10 3NQ.

Yours sincerely



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