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Dear Laura

It was with great pleasure that I learnt of your recent designation as a national leader of education (NLE). This is a testament to your exceptional leadership and your unwavering commitment to raising standards in our schools.

The government's plan for education is designed to ensure every child leaves school prepared for life in modern Britain and it is having real impact, with standards rising and more children being taught at good or outstanding schools than ever before. But I am conscious that everything that has been achieved in recent years has only been possible because of the hard work and commitment of thousands of teachers and leaders right across the country - working together to drive up standards for all.

You are joining an elite team of over 900 other NLEs who are working together in pursuit of a world-class education system. I know that your role will be both interesting and challenging and I would like to encourage you to actively seek out opportunities to support schools working in difficult circumstances to help them to improve and to further develop your own skills.

Once again, congratulations and thank you for all that you have done so far, and continue to do, to improve the life chances of children and young people. I hope that you will continue to strive for excellence and wish you every success for the future.

Yours sincerely

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