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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your written question WQ94505(e) tabled on 14 October 2024, which asked 'how many schools in Wales have been rated as inadequate by Estyn in the last five years, and what specific interventions has the Welsh Government implemented in response to these ratings?'

Queries about inspection should be addressed directly to Estyn, which is an independent body.

Estyn no longer provide one word summative judgements following an inspection. Instead, Estyn inspection reports provide a detailed evaluation of the strengths and areas for improvement.

All inspection reports are available on Estyn's website.

Local authorities have statutory responsibility for monitoring the quality of learning in their schools and intervening where appropriate. Where a school is causing particular concern, I expect local authorities to take prompt and effective action to address the issues.

I am kept informed by Estyn of schools causing concern across Wales. My senior officials discuss with relevant Local Authorities the actions and support being taken to improve schools that are continuing to cause concern.

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Yours sincerely

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