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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your written question, WQ92275(e), tabled on 20 March 2024, which asked “does the Minister plan to review school holiday reform following conclusions in the Major Challenges for Education in Wales report from the Institute for Fiscal Studies that there is very little evidence that the policy will improve educational attainment or narrow inequalities?”.

The recent consultation on the School Year, closed on 12 February 2024, this was an opportunity for everyone across Wales to share their views on how we best structure the school year, to tackle educational inequalities and improve learner and staff wellbeing.

It is important that the responses and findings from the Consultation on the School Year are given due and proper consideration. On this basis, decisions on next steps will be made, and announced, in due course.

Yours sincerely

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