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Dear Ms Peacock

Thank you for your letter of 15 October, addressed to the Secretary of State for Education about the National Curriculum review. As I am sure you can appreciate, the Secretary of State receives a vast amount of correspondence and is unable to reply to each one personally. On this occasion I have been asked to reply.

The Department recognises the importance of helping schools and parents to support children and young people to develop an understanding of financial matters and be able to manage their own personal finance.

All young people should benefit from high-quality personal social Health economic (PSHE) education which includes financial capability. We announced in the Schools White Paper "The Importance of Teaching", our intention to conduct an internal review of PSHE education, to determine how we can support schools to improve the quality of PSHE teaching, including giving teachers the flexibility to use their judgement about how best to deliver PSHE.

We are considering the precise remit for the internal PSHE review, and the evidence of PSHE education. The evidence includes national and international research, responses to the on-line consultation and feedback from focus groups, and wider stakeholder discussions, further details will be available in due course.

Further information about the National Curriculum review is available on our website at:
www.education.gov.uk/schools/teachingandlearning/curriculum/nationalcurriculum

Once again, thank you for writing.

Yours sincerely

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