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Dear Ms Pyke

Thank you very much for sharing with me the work that your Year 4 pupils have been doing on climate change and pollution. While I appreciate that your pupils will now be in a new class, I would be very grateful if you could share my letter with them so they know how impressed I am by their work.

Climate Change is such an important issue and this is why I was pleased to be one of the MPs who declared a climate emergency. As you and your class have discussed, the impact on all our futures and on wildlife if we do not take action is very frightening.

I appreciate you sharing the very concerning statistic that there are more microplastics in the ocean than stars in the Milky Way, this really does put the issue into perspective. While we all need to be better at recycling and using less single-use plastic, we need this to be met with strong Government Policy and a commitment from industry leaders.

I agree that Greta Thunberg is an inspiration and she shows that it doesn't matter how old you are, you can make real change and influence international politics. I hope this gives your pupils the motivation and confidence to fight for what they believe in.

I will certainly look into highlighting your suggestions about laws against pollution and to make it mandatory to use energy saving products in the House of Commons.

Thank you very much for taking the time to share your concerns and thoughts with me, it is welcome to know that we have lots of young people in the area who care so deeply about the environment.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Madders', with a horizontal line drawn underneath the name.

Justin Madders