

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

13th March, 2012

Dear Dominic,

The Queen has asked me to thank you for organising such a successful visit to De Montfort University for Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee visit to Leicester last week.

Her Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses, The Duke of Edinburgh and The Duchess of Cambridge, were overwhelmed by the warm and colourful welcome they received from the students and staff at the University. It was a tribute to your organisational skills that you managed to produce such an interesting programme at short notice.

The student fashion parade was a wonderful event showcasing the incredible talent of the students at DMU. Her Majesty enjoyed meeting the designers and those involved in creating the show. The Duke of Edinburgh was interested to learn about the innovative Square Mile project, expertly presented by James Gardner. It is an outstanding initiative and a tremendous achievement for your institution.

The crowds and performances in Magazine Square, particularly the Gospel Choir, Bollywood dancers and Chinese Umbrella dancers created a wonderful celebratory atmosphere to start the Jubilee visit.

The Queen has asked me to thank all at De Montfort University for making her feel so welcome and sends her very best wishes for the year ahead.

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