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To whom it may concern

Re: Valerie Kampmeier

Ms Kampmeier joined the Junior School teaching staff in September 1987. Her work includes musical awareness class teaching, conducting two choirs (junior and chamber), piano teaching and she holds a responsibility for the pastoral care of our younger children. She has been trained as a Kodaly teacher and applies this knowledge, highly effectively, to her teaching.

I have always found Ms Kampmeier's work to be of an exceptionally high standard. She is a natural and gifted teacher who has a real sensitivity and understanding when dealing with children.

Her enquiring and intelligent mind has meant that she has explored, and continues to explore, new areas relating to music and teaching.

Ms Kampmeier's high level of musicianship really shows through in all her varied work in the department. She was keen to form a chamber choir and this group has developed into a very successful and musical performing unit, giving concerts both internally and externally. She has the ability to teach a wide age range from our eight year olds through to our eighteen year olds. Both her piano and class teaching is extremely effective and successful and she is able to stimulate and encourage her pupils to achieve their best.

Her knowledge and understanding together with her tremendous energy and enthusiasm ensures that she gains extremely high results in all her work.

Ms Kampmeier is highly respected by both her students and her colleagues. She has a very likeable nature which is infectious.

She is a very reliable and conscientious member of my teaching staff and will be extremely difficult to replace should she be successful with her applications.

Derek N Rodgers
Head of Junior School

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