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To whom it may concern;

Ickniel High School is a secondary academy in the North of Luton, catering to students from age 11 to 16. We pride ourselves on our excellent GCSE results and offering an enriching educational experience to all of our students. The school is a mixed comprehensive of 1450 students and is the largest school in Luton. With such a huge cohort of students in such a multicultural town, it is therefore of no surprise, that the demographic population of the school is extremely diverse. This brings about many challenges in ensuring our students have the best possible chance to be successful and achieve their potential.

For a school to continue to be successful, it must draw upon as many resources available to it and ensure that they can add to the good work the school already does. This couldn't be a more appropriate way to describe the hard work and support Ickniel has received from Trishan Patel Coaching and the impact he has had on the students at this school. As a former student of Ickniel himself, it is with immense pride and gratitude that he has come back to support our students and provide an excellent service to the school.

Trishan has supported the school in a variety of ways and has become an important resource and trusted partner of the school. Like any other school, some of our students have very complex needs; providing and sourcing services for some of the most disadvantaged and damaged children within the school environment can be a real challenge.

The intervention packages that Trishan has provided have ranged from 1 to 1 support for students, intervention programs to support a student's education and well-being and work with our Leadership Academy providing students opportunities and valuable work experience.

Trishan has an excellent rapport with both staff and students and was able to form positive working relationships with all our students, including those at risk of offending and currently disengaged with their education. His work on a one to one basis and the group interventions have helped support some of our most challenging students and provided them with further opportunities to improve their behavior and attitude towards education and society.

At a time when education budgets are limited and yet student need for support increases, sourcing resources to provide positive and measurable interventions are essential. In Trishan Patel Coaching we feel we have found that and are very pleased with the work Trishan has provided and equally as proud to call him "one of our own."

Kind regards

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