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Personal Reference for Travis Fitzpatrick.

To Whom it May Concern:

It is with pleasure that I have the opportunity to write this reference for Travis. I have known Travis Fitzpatrick for 8 years in a variety of capacities. Travis was a parent of a student I taught at Strathmore Primary School. Travis approached me as the Health Co-ordinator and Prep team leader at the time, because of his passion to improve the general fitness of the students. Travis is generous with his time- having his own iron man training schedule, 4 young children and running his own business- his time is precious, however, he volunteered his services as a fitness instructor to our school. Travis undertook a series of aerobics workshops for the junior units and, without a doubt; he provided a fantastic and worthwhile experience.

Travis went above and beyond simply taking an aerobics class. He targeted the aerobic moves and music specifically to the abilities of the age group. His passion for teaching the importance of fitness (or as he calls it to 'activate' their bodies) shone through, and the students put in 100% because of his motivation, enthusiasm and passion.

Travis is organized, efficient, and extremely competent. He put a lot of thought and planning into the sessions at the school; he brought along his own music, CD player and speakers. He has excellent communication skills and an excellent rapport with adults and students of all ages. His enthusiasm even saw the teachers joining in and having a wonderful time. After his initial sessions, the staff quickly organized other times he could come in as we saw the benefits of what he had to offer, returning later that year and in the following years!

In summary, I highly recommend and have the utmost respect and gratitude for what Travis aims to instill in students. I believe that schools must provide opportunities for students to be more active in this society and Travis' passion for achieving this and for improving fitness in schools is a fun way, is without a doubt, his calling.

If you have any questions, or would like me to elaborate on anything in this reference please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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To whom it may concern,

Travis Fitzpatrick was selected to accompany and support the teaching staff at Strathmore Primary School on a three day, year 3/4 camp to Phillip Island Adventure Resort. During the camp Travis lead and supported groups of students through a range of activities. These included; the giant swing, low ropes course, initiative course, flying fox, nature spotto, ponding, ball games and activities at the local beach. Travis always made himself available when staff and students needed support.

Travis was able to confidently communicate with staff and students. He followed and supported our program, taking initiative to assist and guide students through activities. Travis has an obvious love and understanding of outdoor experiences and physical exercise. He demonstrated how to successfully complete activities and supported students who had difficulty. Throughout the camp, Travis was enthusiastic and engaged. He provided opportunities for enjoyment, modified activities to suit the needs of students and always encouraged positive social interaction for the students in his care.

Travis is well informed about safety procedures. His supervision of students was always conducted in a professional manner. Travis works as part of a team and has an excellent rapport with students and staff.

If you wish to have further correspondence with me, I'd be happy to speak to you. I can be contacted at

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Yours Sincerely,

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