



FROM THE HEAD OF LE COUTEUR HOUSE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN – Statement of Support

Mark Papadopoulos has been an outstanding member of Newington College since his entry into the College in Year 11, 2016. In particular, his efforts during his final year are highly commendable. Mark has demonstrated a high level of community spirit in regards to his all-round efforts as a leader in his position as a College Prefect and Captain of Tennis as well as both a sportsman and an academic member of the Newington Community. I am honoured to be able to recommend him for placement into tertiary institutions and work placement in 2018 and beyond.

As Mark's Head of House, I have become familiar with his outstanding progress through the junior years and supported his entry into the High School Certificate course where he will complete Biology; Extension 1 Mathematics; Business Studies; Standard English and Spanish. In addition, I have been impressed with his leadership, organisation and discipline in both academic achievement and co-curricular involvement. This has resulted in Mark achieving House Colours within two years which is very rare.

When it comes to academics not many can surpass the effort and organisation of Mark. He has gained very good results across the board and he should be commended for his level of accomplishment given the extra time given to his Tennis. Being an AAGPS Undefeated singles champion; NSW Schools Champion as an individual and member of a team as well as a representative player both within the School's system and on the circuit placed Mark under very tight constraints regarding his academic – he handled all that came before him with aplomb. In his most recent examinations, Mark achieved an estimated ATAR in the mid to high 80s. Both he and I expect this to improve in the upcoming Trial examinations.

Mark has also been very supportive of the community in regards to Service Learning. He has given his time to support the Red Shield Appeal; City2Surf and volunteered on more than one occasion to assist with serving breakfast to the homeless at the Exodus Foundation "Loaves and Fishes" Restaurant in Ashfield.

Personally, I find Mark to be friendly, disciplined, and trustworthy whilst being dedicated to his set goals. He is a model for others in the community with his fine morals and personal ethics. Although he enjoys the light-hearted moments of life, he is always able to come to task when required. At all times he is well-presented and his manners and communications skills are outstanding. If you require any further information, do not hesitate to telephone me on (02) 9568 9379 during business hours or via email at gpotter@newington.nsw.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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