

To whom it may concern

Darren Pereira from Success Integrated has been speaking to our students for the last three years and more recently to our parents.

We have been extremely impressed with Darren's ability to engage our Year 10 and 12 students. He has a unique ability to capture the girls' attention immediately and take them on a journey of self discovery. The result is that the girls leave his seminars feeling motivated, much clearer about their pathway in life and have a specific goal with a concrete action plan to achieve this.

Darren uses a creative blend of music (played by his DJ), humour, video clips and stories to capture his audience and keep them engaged for hours. He pitches his messages at just the right level so that teenage girls can relate to the issues raised and take on the practical strategies provided.

Whether he is addressing an entire year level in our hall on study skills or a more intimate group of student leaders in a classroom, Darren's energy, charisma and student centered approach, evokes a very positive response from our girls. The feedback from the girls is always very high (averaging 9 / 10) and over 98% of girls indicate that they would like to see Darren come back to address them in future years. This is why we have and continue to use Darren to help us maximise our students' motivation, resilience and academic performance.

Darren is also the Victorian Agent for a Student Wall Planner and Study Skills System we have recently embraced for our Year 7 and 10 levels. He successfully launched this program with our students and parents in March this year. The parents were very positive about the Wall Planner and felt the practical communication and motivation strategies he taught them were very useful. I feel that Darren was instrumental in kicking off the partnership we would like to foster with our parents through the Wall Planner system, to help our students develop the organisational, homework and study routines necessary for academic success.

From a personal point of view, I have always found Darren to be positive, friendly, genuinely interested in our girls' achievement and consultative. He often goes the extra mile in replying to our student and parent emails, posting his seminars for the community to access, in a timely and professional manner.

Based on Darren's unique approach and experience, working with youth all around the world over the past ten years, I would unreservedly recommend Darren and his seminars and look forward to working with him in 2012 and beyond.



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