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Hi Caroline,

Just some feedback on the "Shape Your Destiny" motivational seminar conducted by Darren Pereira at Mooroolbark College on Monday July 10th.

Darren is an energetic and accomplished presenter who managed to engage the students and kept their attention throughout the presentation. Most of the students worked out their talents and interests and identified some career goals in the time. The student feedback on the evaluation forms was never less than 8 out of 10. They all enjoyed the morning and had fun. The only students who were negative were those who are generally negative about school and about themselves. So they would have struggled to identify skills and talents in themselves in such a short time.

Our students would have been exposed to goal setting principles in the past but the concept was presented in such a fun and positive way, hopefully the kids will remember it and use it not only in relation to their career goals but also in their lives. The use of the DJ was great as it took away that lecture type of feeling and turned it into entertainment, while still imparting an important message.

We would definitely look at booking the session again next year, but would probably opt for the 3 hour version of the seminar, as I think the students would be able to spend more time clarifying goals and developing their strategy plan. These areas were a bit rushed in the shortened version.

Thanks again for the great introduction to our careers and pathways day. It put the kids on a high and motivated them to make the most out of the various career presentations that followed later in the day.

Regards,

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