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Reference for Camila Pizarro Stuardo

Camila Pizarro Stuardo worked at our school as a language assistant in the academic year 2011-2012. Ian Ramsey is a mixed comprehensive school with approximately 1200 pupils aged 11 – 16. Camila has also taught on a regular basis at another secondary school and a sixth form in Stockton.

In the course of her year with us she taught classes throughout the age and ability range. Her teaching style has varied as appropriate, giving lessons to individuals and to groups of all sizes including whole class lessons. Her lessons were as much appreciated by the pupils as by the staff for the consideration that went into them and for the variety and interest that they offered. Camila used a good deal of different resources in her work including many authentic materials and photos that she brought with her from Chile. Camila has an excellent command of ICT and a thorough grasp of grammar. She has produced effective powerpoint presentations for use in the classroom. She enjoyed helping and encouraging the children in both written and oral work. She was very much involved in preparing the pupils for their GCSE examination and even gave much of her free time to reassure and support them. Her unthreatening open manner ensured that pupils felt comfortable in her lessons. This work was very successful and had a marked effect on the quality of work that the children produced.

From the beginning she established very good relationships with the staff at Ian Ramsey School. She has been helpful, enthusiastic and friendly. She works well both individually and with other staff. She is very generous with her free time, and willing to step in at a moment's notice to support her colleagues in the department. She is a versatile teacher who can adapt well to all age groups and abilities.

Camila has gained a good insight into the English school system, has extended her knowledge about the country and has earned valuable experience in dealing with his colleagues and his pupils. In her leisure time she has travelled all over the country and has become acquainted with many important towns and areas of Great Britain.

The school has certainly benefited from Camila's year here. In return I am sure that Camila has improved her already very good command of the English language and has become familiar with British customs and lifestyle. We wish her all the best in her future studies and career.

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