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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am delighted to provide a letter of recommendation for Zack Marshfield. I know the student well, having been his Head of Year at Marling School for five years and I taught him GCSE German for two years.

Zack is academically able and a talented sportsman. It was great to see him collect fantastic GCSE results last summer.

Studying German allowed Zack to learn another language and about another culture. In our lessons, he was always punctual, polite and worked well with his peers. During our lessons he was incredibly focused and hard working. His hard work was reflected in him achieving an exceptionally high grade 8. It was a pleasure to teach Zack in an academic setting. He participated in our school exchange in which a German student lived with him, and he spent over a week living with the student in Munich, Germany, which allowed him to understand more about life abroad. Zack fully embraced and enjoyed the experience. I think Zack would thrive both academically and personally if he is given the opportunity to study abroad.

Outside of the classroom, Zack was involved in many extra-curricular activities and wider school life, for example, mentoring younger students. Football is his main passion, and he represented the school in this sport. His love of athletics is shown in representing the school in cross-country and being a member of the local athletic club. He has also played cricket for the school and local club.

I have no hesitation in recommending Zack and I am confident he will be successful and an asset to any institution. He has a can-do attitude, and his resilience was shown in how he coped during the Covid pandemic.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information, however I am currently on maternity leave and rarely check emails, so there will be a delayed response. If you require a quicker response, please contact reception@marling.school

I will return to work in September 2025.

Yours faithfully

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