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To whom it may concern

Emily Briody completed her 3rd year teaching placement with us in Kylemore College, Ballyfermot from January to May 2023. Initially Emily assisted me in all aspects of teaching and learning, across all age groups. She then took over preparation and delivery of first year Visual Art, Transition Year Art, LCA Visual Art/Craft and Design and the new 5th year Leaving Certificate Art.

Emily was thoroughly prepared for each lesson every day, and was eager for feedback in order to learn new skills. She had many new and creative teaching methodologies which engaged all learners, even those with additional learning needs. Emily used group work and collaboration in all age groups, producing very inventive and unique finished pieces with the students.

Emily was eager to assist with exam classes, even though they did not form part of her teaching groups. She adapted well to teaching in a DEIS school, where students' behaviour can, at times, be challenging.

Emily showed capabilities beyond what was expected of a student teacher. She built a great rapport with students, introducing a lunchtime art club for junior students, and taking part in a photography workshop for Transition Years. Emily also assisted our SEN department, withdrawing students who needed extra support in literacy and numeracy.

Throughout her time in Kylemore Emily completed supervision duties, across all areas in the college. Her hardworking, warm and very friendly nature ensured she quickly became a valued member of our hard working team in Kylemore College.

I have no doubt that this creative young teacher will be a great asset to any educational establishment she applies for in the future. I wish Emily the best of luck in her future career.

Yours Faithfully

Sandra Dempsey

Art Teacher Kylemore College