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To whom it may concern,

We had the absolute pleasure of having Thom Wall instruct a one hour juggling workshop at our school for the Staff Development Day on our first day back for 2017. The premise for his workshop was that it needed to address areas of having more mindfulness, coping with a challenge and enjoyment mixed in with work preparation.

Thom's reputation preceded him to only a few of the staff present (myself included) but he ingratiated himself with jubilant, welcoming energy. He was incredibly engaging and superbly encouraging to all staff present. He was extremely motivating and showed an unwavering commitment to delivering a high quality learning session.

He ensured those who had never juggled before felt comfortable and safe to give it a try, demonstrating his effortless ability in creating an environment in which all were valued. Thom also recognised those who already had some skill in juggling and set them a series of tasks to build on that foundation. The way he explained and sequenced both the beginner and intermediate tasks was well received by all.

Thom celebrated all achievements of his cohort in a positive and sincere manner, and it was fantastic to see my colleagues have such an enriching experience. Thom's honesty and generous manner endeared him to those who interacted with him and his ability to create and sustain a positive social relationship was reflective of the environment around him. Many of them have continued with juggling and have even started attending the weekly circus session that runs in the school for both staff and students.

I would thoroughly recommend Thom's workshops to any school or workplace environment. Not only does he bring a high level of technical knowledge and skill, but the way in which he engages learners will be well received by anyone.

Kind Regards,



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