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Martin As requested. Rex

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From: Gillian, Jolly
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Re: ARH's Application for Step 14

There are three issues that I raised with ARH

1. Alleged loss of dynamism in the classroom.

I was led to believe beyond my own observation that ARH had lost a little sparkle in the classroom and he was cruising. David Montefiore had made some critical comments to me in this regard. ARH assures me that he is teaching better than ever. He claims that the last two years have been his best teaching years. I accepted this claim and suggested that he makes sure there is a very clear understanding with his Head of Department regarding his teaching prowess at the moment. I understand there is some ill feeling over alleged negativity by ARH and a counter claim of negativity by David Montefiore. I think this is bubbling along at the moment.

2. Relationship with boys in regard to his affectionate touching.

He says he is very aware of this problem and will attempt to eliminate it from his body language. We talked about his alleged favouritism and separate treatment of special boys who he is counselling. We discussed the dangers of this touching.

3. Housemaster Appraisal

His Housemastering is "sound". ARH pointed out that Montgomery was coming last in the Cock House competition and is now coming first. I admitted not to knowing this and agreed that much of what he does is perhaps unseen but nevertheless effective.

These three areas of my particular concern I believe were explained adequately by ARH

I would therefore recommend his application to Step 14 be accepted.