Head Girl Speech

Good afternoon Mr Docherty, Monsignor Monaghan, staff, fellow students. Today I hope to persuade you that I would make a suitable head girl for St Ninian's, but firstly I would like to tell you a little bit about how I came to be standing here applying for this position today.

Many of you know me well, and that I arrived in 3rd year from Australia but my Catholic education started long before at St Joseph's Primary school in Aberdeen, before my family made the huge move to Australia. Arriving there I started at Iona Catholic Presentation, Primary and then College which was named after the after the Island Iona, where St Columba brought Christianity to Scotland. So moving back to Scotland and starting at St Ninian's (another great school) has been the ideal place to finish my journey of formal education and one I have been most grateful for.

Many of you might wonder why I seek the position of Head Girl. Since arriving here I have been given so many different opportunities ranging from sporting, drama, academic and faith life. St Ninian's has invested their time and support in me during my time here in all aspects of school life ,so I feel strongly that this is a way I can give back to my school. To serve and represent the school that has given me so much.

You might also be thinking what qualities and skills does Tara have, is she suitable for Head Girl! I believe I have many qualities that would be needed, I am reliable and can be relied on to do my best in everything I do. I am friendly, approachable and I have had plenty of experience public speaking. But most importantly I am a good team player and love to work with others to get the job done.

I know you will be relying on myself as Head Girl as someone to represent you at all school events in 6th year, well I would like to assure you I will totally commit to all duties required of a head girl.

As Head Girl I must also be a good role model to the whole school and I hope that by being active in so many areas such as in the performing arts department and being apart of the school production and also being captain of the netball team, a young ambassador of the sports department, younger students might have been inspired and encourage by me to grasp all the opportunities here at St Ninian's,

follow my lead and see themselves like I have done as future leaders and contributors to our school.

I already have some experience being a leader and have been taught first hand by the inspirational, Bear Grylls, by being part of Bear Grylls Survival School (which is available on Netflix now) I was able to learn how to work cooperatively with others in a team and become the type of a leader that respects others opinions and is willing to take onboard advice of others. I would look forward, if given your support, to work for you and St Ninian's 100 %

I knew that from the minute I walked into St Ninian's that faith was the foundation of our school. Growing in my faith here has been something that has given me lots of strength and fulfillment. Being able to attend morning mass and reading the scriptures, attending many opportunities to demonstrate my faith, showing leadership and support to my peers and having many chances to represent our school and gain a deeper understanding of my faith. All of these will help me in the role of Head Girl at St Ninian's and with your support and belief in me, I would be proud and extremely humbled to serve you all.

Finally, I would like to finish with a quote from St Catherine of Sienna

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."

Thankyou