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**Sent:** 18 March 2015 13:12  
**To:** Planning  
**Cc:** Stark, Stephen (Councillor)  
**Subject:** planning application for No.3 Arkright Road - 2014/7847/P

dear Sirs,

I would like to support the planning application that has been lodged with Camden for allowing to proceed with the building of St. Anthony's School for Girls in Hampstead. My son is already a pupil at St. Anthony's School for boys and it's been a huge blessing and a privilege to be able to see my son thrive in the environment created by the school and its staff. The boys are blossoming from reception onwards and are encouraged to follow their individual path based on their abilities via solid academic foundations and curriculum, creativity, sporting abilities, respect for their peers and teachers, as well as a wider community. They are raised aware of the world around them, of which they are part and with treating those around them with respect and kindness - be it for their teachers, classmates, parents or people around them. I am sure the same thing would be achieved with the new school for girls. No doubt it will help create new jobs, help improve traffic in the area, particularly for the parents who have both sons and daughters and are currently at a disadvantage when it comes to school runs for different schools, often with significant distance between them.

Even though there are several schools in Hampstead I hold St. Anthony's and its staff in very high esteem as professionals and as people who love their work and help to raise children who are smart, sporty, inquisitive and considerate to others. It is essential that the young generation has opportunities to thrive in the right environment and I have no doubt that St. Anthony's will be able to offer that. I am not Catholic myself but very much appreciate religious education at school, especially at the time when the world seems to be divided by religious beliefs - St. Anthony's staff help to raise a young generation which I hope will make us all proud with the way they navigate the world and make it a better place.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions and I hope you will view St. Anthony's application favourably,

sincerely yours,

Mrs Galina Portiano

