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Dear Parents/Carers

Well what a year this has been! At the end of any school year I always look to reflect back over the year. Prior to our school closure so much had taken place; Reception and KS1 Christmas plays, all the exciting theme days and trips, whole school masses and shared worship events. Furthermore, I wish to commend all the children for the high level of effort they have applied to all their learning over the whole school year.

Today not only brings an end to the school year, but also an end to Mrs Cooper's, Mrs Dhaliwal-Cook's and Mrs Jovanova's time at Sacred Heart. Mrs Cooper, after over 20 years at Sacred Heart, will be retiring today. She has worked with countless children and families and has been so passionate about Sacred Heart: dedicating herself to offering the best for everyone. Mrs Cooper will be greatly missed by all. Mrs Dhaliwal-Cook, after over 10 years at Sacred Heart, will be moving on to an exciting opportunity working as a teacher at another local school. Mrs Dhaliwal-Cook has had many roles within our school and I am saddened for the school but also delighted that she has progressed to be able to take on this role. I know you will join me in wishing her all the best. Finally, Mrs Jovanova will also be leaving us. Despite only being here a short time, she has worked well as part of the Sacred Heart team to support the youngest children in the school. I wish her all the best for the future.

In my nearly 20 years involved in education, I have never experienced the level of challenge we have had to face over these last four months. As a school community we have met these challenges head on and we can all be proud of how we have served our community; we have definitely played our part in this national crisis. I would like to thank all of our amazing staff for working tirelessly throughout, including holidays and bank holidays; they have truly defined the phrase 'going the extra mile'.

I would also like to thank you all for all your hard work home schooling during the school closure. I know from personal experience, the challenges of juggling school work, working from home, video calls etc. The high level of engagement with our online learning has been very, very pleasing!

Over the summer break, there are expected to be further announcements regarding the school reopening in September so **please keep checking your emails**.

I wish you all a happy, safe and healthy summer break and I look forward to seeing everyone when we return.

Regards,

Mr Cooper
Headteacher



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Together we live and learn; we play and pray