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Dear Parent/Carer

Summer is upon us, and with it comes a renewed sense of freedom and invigoration. Our children and young people have continued to thrive this year, and that would not have been possible without your constant care, support and encouragement. Thank you. It has been a year like no other, and lockdown will have brought a variety of challenges and pressures to households across Highland. However, our communities have pulled together, and we hope you have felt the benefit of this throughout the year. The communities of Highland have a unique talent for looking after each other, and this tradition shines through in our children and young people, who continued to step up and support each other as they faced yet more challenges and change this year. We hope you share our sense of pride and admiration for all they have achieved in this time.

The summer break gives families a chance to recharge and enjoy quality time together. We wish your family a safe and happy holiday and look forward to welcoming our children and young people back to educational settings in August. There is much to capitalise on in the new session, and it is with hope and optimism that we begin to plan for this. Our learners deserve the very best, and with you supporting them and working with us, that is what they will get. Please enjoy making many happy memories with your family this summer and know that we will be eager to welcome everyone back and hear all about the adventures and experiences you have enjoyed together.

It is with a sincere sense of gratitude that we thank you for all you have done this past year, and all that you continue to do.

Best wishes



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