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Dear parents/carers,

This has been a very challenging and unusual school year and it has ended with Leicester in lockdown again and schools closed. This journey we have all been on since March has been exhausting and all our schools have worked hard to offer the best support and learning opportunities for all our pupils, but we all recognise that this has not been the same as it would be in the normal school based environment.

I would like to thank you once again for the support that you have shown your child's school over the past few months and also for the commitment that you have shown to supporting your child's ongoing learning. Most pupils have shown good levels of engagement with home learning and we have been inspired by how our children have responded to the new process of working at home and by the good progress they have made.

Our staff have been very busy planning exciting new lessons and schemes of learning for next academic year and we will also ensure all children are given strong pastoral support and guidance. Government advice is continuing to be issued and over the summer months we will monitor this carefully. Due to the dynamic nature of guidance linked to health and safety, your specific school will write to you with more precise details of our reopening separately. Across the Trust we are exploring a wide range of measures to keep your children safe whilst also ensuring that they make the best progress possible. At this point in time we envisage our pupils being phased into our schools from the 1st September. The first week in September will be spent ensuring all pupils fully understand new policies and systems, these will include ways of moving around the schools, interacting with one another and new hygiene routines.

We expect all pupils to be back in school full time from the week beginning the 7th September. Please note that all schools will be fully closed to pupils until the start of next term.

Our staff have missed teaching all our pupils in school and we are all looking forward to a very positive start of the term. Despite the local lockdown I do hope you and your families get some relaxation and holiday time together, and we look forward to working in partnership with you next year.

With very best wishes

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