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Dear Year Six Newchurch Robin,

Today would have been the eve of the day you would have started your week of SATS: the tests you have worked so hard towards since you started your learning journey at Newchurch. We are sure that you may be feeling relief and also disappointment that you will not be able to experience this rite of passage.

However, tests and SATs results do not define the person you are – you are much more than that! SATs do not measure your creativity, your compassion, your bravery or resilience – all things you have demonstrated this year and beyond. Over the past months (and actually in all your time at Newchurch) you have shown yourselves to be an incredible class. Aristotle, a Greek philosopher, said, 'Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all'. You have embodied the Newchurch core values in everything you have done, and never more so than during the time the country has been in lockdown – your hearts are educated and you demonstrate this is all you do at home, at school and in the community.

We are not expected to give you a level at the end of the school year due to the SATs being cancelled, but as you can see, we are continuing to provide you with quality first teaching and booster sessions to ensure that you are ready for the challenges of the Year 7 curriculum. We are working hard with your feeder schools to ensure your transition to high school can be the best that it can be. What we can assure you is that we will do the very best for you and make sure they understand what exceptional children you are.

You are our heroes: you truly are loved Year Six and we could not have asked for anything more from you. We are so very proud of you and hope that we will have a great celebration at the end of the year – after your end of year performance that we are delighted to be able to put on this year.

So this is a thank you from all of us at Newchurch and recognition of the tremendous hard work you have put into your seven years of primary school.

Well done,

The Newchurch Team



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