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Dear Parent,

End of Primary School

Following a very difficult and turbulent 16 months for our Year 6 pupils. I would like to praise the children for their wonderful attitude despite the constant disruption caused by Covid-19.

I am extremely proud of their resilience and positive attitude, their mature approach to the ever changing situation and the disappointment of 'normal' events and activities not going ahead.

I have been on tender hooks over the past few weeks, hoping that the Robinwood trip would go ahead, and I am delighted that it has been possible for the children to get away on their trip. I know that this experience will be a time to relax, enjoy and challenge themselves in an environment free from all of the pressures of the last few months, from what we have heard they are all having a brilliant time and it will be an experience that they will always remember.

Over the next couple of weeks, we have some exciting things taking place for our Year 6 pupils:

- **Sports Day** – Friday 16th July, sadly this will take place without parents this year
- **Y6 After School Fun and Games- Monday 19th July 3.30-5.30pm** The Year 6 children are invited to stay after school for an evening of fun games, food and music. Parents will be invited to collect their children from 5.30pm, and as they leave there will be a short presentation. **Parents please see the questionnaire that will be sent to you via forms sharing more information about this event.**
- **Year 6 video-** A video that the Year 6 children are preparing will be uploaded to the school website

It is difficult to believe that the time at Our Lady of Lourdes for our lovely Year 6 children is coming quickly to an end and for the second year running we have sadly had to adapt our plans to still make this a special time for our children. Despite the difficult and every changing circumstances that we have had, one thing is for sure, our children have continued to let their light shine brightly and have been a credit to yourselves as parents and to our school family.

It has been my pleasure as Headteacher to be part of your child's learning journey and a privilege to watch them grow and flourish throughout the years. I thank you for your co-operation, support and understanding as parents during the years that your children have attended our lovely school, you have all been a very important part of our school family and community.

On behalf of the staff and governors of the school I would like to extend my best wishes to all of the children and wish them the very best of luck as they transition to their new schools. I know that each of our children have unique skills and talents and will go on to do brilliant things in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ashton