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Dear Year 6 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 don't measure your creativity, your compassion, your bravery or resilience – all things you have demonstrated this year. Over the past few weeks (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 since the school has closed – your hearts are educated and you demonstrate this is all you do at home, at school and in the community.

We have not had any guidance yet as to what will happen regarding the assessment of your learning but we promise that we will let you know as soon as we find out. It is important to continue with your learning as much as you can so that you are able to continue to thrive as you met 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. Every day we are being given new information and so we are having to be patient and wait to see what we must do. 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 know that this is not the best way to end your time at primary school. We are so very proud of you and promise that we will have a great celebration when we are allowed to. Fingers crossed it will not be too long.

Take care,

The Newchurch Team



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