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Dear Families

We have had an excellent week at St. Paul's. On Monday our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students went on expedition. Year 12 enjoyed focusing on future destinations and work experience for the whole week. On Tuesday we celebrated with those students who have made or are making their Confirmation this Summer. On Tuesday, our intrepid explorers left the UK for four weeks in Peru. I am really looking forward to seeing updates about their experience.

On Wednesday we really enjoyed our whole school Work Related Learning Day and that evening there was the final Full Governing Body meeting of the year. On Thursday, the majority of the school went off on their Educational Visits Day. I hope your children had a fabulous day. I enjoyed seeing them all return, exhausted but with big smiles. Finally, today we have had Sports Day – my favourite day of the year. I spent the day cooking burgers and sausages for nearly 2000 people, sweltering in the heat. We came off the field early due to the heat and we hope to complete the remaining events on Monday. Despite this, it was a great day, enjoyed by all. As you can see, so much has happened this week so please look out for the photos on our social media pages.

So next week we have finally reached the last week of term. We remain learning right up until the last lesson of Friday afternoon as every moment counts in your child's education. Year 7 and 9 have their reward BBQs next week. On Wednesday evening I will be attending the graduation ceremony for all the new primary and secondary teachers who have qualified this year in our SCITT. We are incredibly proud to serve the community of Milton Keynes by training so many teachers who then go on to teach in Milton Keynes schools. On Thursday there is a reading reward trip to see the new Jurassic World Rebirth film at the cinema. Then on Friday, our Year 12 Fashion and Photography students are collaborating on a very exciting project. A reminder that on our last day, Friday 18th July, the library will not be open after school.

You may have received your child's progress check. The remaining ones will go out by Monday at the latest. Having read through them, it is clear that we have so many children who are living up to our Mission statement in terms of Doing the Best that is Possible. Congratulations to them all. Very well done to Anika Johnson in Year 8, Vanisha Vinothas and Wendy Valencia in Year 9 and Callum Shone in Year 10 for passing their 101 in British Sign Language.

Over the holidays key safeguarding contacts will be available on our school website. School will be open for A Level results on Thursday 14th August, and for GCSE results on Thursday 21st August. I'm really looking forward to celebrating with students on those days.

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Finally, I wanted to say thank you to all of you for your support this year. Our school really is a very special community, and it is a pleasure to serve you all as Headteacher. I hope you all have a very happy and safe holiday, whatever you are doing. I look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Wednesday 3rd September.

Yours sincerely

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