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Dear Divine Mercy Academy Families:

As this school year comes to an end, I want to let you know how truly grateful I am to all of you. On our first day of this school year, no one could have imagined how this year would end. These last few months, our teachers, students, and parents have all worked together during the most extraordinary of circumstances to bring instruction and learning into your home. I am so very proud of my faculty who so smoothly transitioned to this new form of learning during a time of crisis. Their dedication to providing your children with the best education they could even while many of them were dealing with their own losses, illness, and pain was admirable. Our students have worked so hard during this time of remote learning. This situation was far from easy on them, yet they continued working and trying their best every day. I am so proud of them all. To all the parents, I cannot thank you enough for everything you have done to support our teachers and your children during this difficult time. You have been amazing partners in your children's education.

As we begin the summer, I know there are many questions about what next year will look like. I want you to know that we are preparing for every possible scenario to make sure that we are able to continue to provide our students with an academically excellent Catholic education in a safe environment. We will be preparing our school buildings over the summer in accordance with CDC guidelines, recommendations from the New Jersey Department of Education, and guidelines given by state and health officials so that we will be ready to open our buildings when we are allowed. We are also continuing to look at ways in which we can enhance our remote learning in case we need to continue it at any point next year. I will be in touch during the summer with more details about our plans as I have them.

I know that the stress of these last few months has weighed heavily on all of us, including our children. Please feel free to contact me at any time over the summer if you are concerned for your child and need assistance with providing them support services. As we begin this summer, I hope that all of our families will begin to experience better, happier, and more hopeful times. Let us continue to pray for all those who are sick and suffering, as well as for all members of our Divine Mercy Academy family. God bless you all.

With Love and Prayers,

Annie Mitchell  
Principal

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