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Dear Year 6 parents,

We have finally reached the end of SATs week in Year 6 and I am writing to tell you how proud we are of your children. Throughout the week, they have worked happily, confidently and diligently; they have not been fazed by the challenges they have faced and they have gone into (and come out of!) every exam with a smile on their face. Without exception, they are a truly inspiring group of children.

This year, I have been really concerned that the media have contributed to stress levels of youngsters, claiming the assessments were too hard and that we are putting our children under unnecessary stress. It would have been very easy for our children to have absorbed some of this public panic, but they haven't. This is in no small way, down to the way that you as parents have prepared your children for the challenges that they have faced this week, ensuring that they are well rested, well fed and focused coming to school. Myself, the staff and our children are very grateful for all of your efforts.

I would like to thank Mr Rooney and Mrs. Wijeratne for all of their hard work throughout this year. They have ensured that the children are given opportunities to learn every single thing that they have needed to know for their assessments and empowered them to rise to every assessment that they have sat this week. More importantly, they have worked hard to prepare our children for the transition to Secondary School, and I know that they will both continue to do so for the remainder of the year.

Finally, we would like to kick start the end of the year silliness with a Pizza Party tomorrow at lunch time. The staff will be providing the pizza and drinks so the children won't require a lunch. There won't be any cost associated with this treat; it has been well earned! Please give us a call in the office if you do not want your child to share pizza with us.

Best wishes,

Miss T. McNamara
Headteacher