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Dear Year 6 children (and parents/carers)

I hope that you are all well and keeping safe in these challenging times. I feel a great sadness for Year 6 and the times that you are missing with your friends from Dunswell. I really do hope that in some way you will get to return to Dunswell Academy – even if for a very brief reunion.

If this is not possible, I have already spoken with the PTA about how we can celebrate your time at Dunswell when times are easier. I would also like to ensure that you will, in some way, have the send-off that you all deserve. This could be once you are at your new school but we will still arrange some way to celebrate. I will obviously keep you posted as and when we all know more about the current situation.

I know this does not affect quite all of the Year 6 children but another reason to write is about the planned residential to London. I have taken the extremely difficult decision to cancel the residential this year. Even if we are lucky enough to return to school by June, visiting the capital city would not be advisable. It is highly unlikely that all of the attractions and lovely things we had planned for you would be open. I know this will be upsetting to hear but I hope you all understand why I have had to make this decision. I am currently in contact with various companies about claiming money back for this so I will be in touch as and when I know more about the financial side of things. We are currently just able to refund anyone who made payment towards the final cost and we shall begin the process this week.

I really do hope that you are all continuing your work at home but also making the most of some fun times with your family.

Take care, stay safe and I hope to see you all very soon.

Yours sincerely

Miss Oxtoby
Head of School