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Dear Y6 Students and Parents,

We informed you earlier in the month that this Friday we would be having a Graduation/Final Assembly for Y6, but without parents present. Sadly, this will no longer be the case. As I am sure you are aware, the situation can change very quickly. The current increase in Covid 19 cases, along with the authorities' recommendation to avoid having large groups of people congregating, means that after much thought, as well as a very honest and sensible discussion with the Prefects, we are going to postpone the Graduation.

We understand that this year has been difficult for everyone, and especially the Y6 students. However, the Graduation would probably not have been the most interesting for them, as they would have had to social distance, and contact would have been at a minimum. We would prefer to have a more meaningful event at the beginning of 2021, maybe combining their graduation with the IB Diploma Awards Ceremony. We hope that parents can then be present, and we can say good bye to our Y6 students in the right way.

I have talked all year about responsibility, both individual and collective, and this is another example of taking decisions which we consider are in the best interests of everyone. It is disappointing, but I am sure you understand why we have made this decision. One of the Prefects mentioned that it is a year in which so much has been lost, and this ceremony is one more to the list, but to hold it might not be the most responsible action. The comment is mature, sensible, empathetic and shows great responsibility.

In December, I will send my speech to Y6 students and parents, together with a message from the Year 6 Prefects, in the form of a letter. We will inform you of the prize winners. Until then, please keep safe and well and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Mark Rosevear
Principal

Estimados Alumnos de 6YL y Padres:

Hace un tiempo les informamos que este viernes tendría lugar la Graduación/Asamblea Final de 6YL, sin la asistencia de los padres. Lamentablemente, esto ya no será posible. Como ya saben, todo cambia muy rápido actualmente. El aumento de casos de Covid 19, junto con las recomendaciones de las autoridades de evitar la congregación de personas, ha significado que, después de pensarlo mucho y de tener una charla muy honesta y sensata con los Prefects, hemos decidido posponer la Graduación.

Entendemos que este ha sido un año muy difícil para todos, especialmente para los alumnos de 6YL. De todas maneras, la Graduación probablemente no hubiera sido muy interesante para ellos, ya que tendrían que mantener la distancia social, con el mínimo contacto. Hemos optado por hacer un evento más significativo a comienzos de 2021, probablemente combinando la graduación con

la ceremonia de Graduación del Diploma IB. Esperamos que los padres en esa ocasión puedan estar presentes, y podremos decir adiós a nuestros alumnos de 6YL como corresponde.

He hablado de responsabilidad durante todo el año, tanto individual como colectiva, y este es otro ejemplo de toma de decisiones pensando en el bienestar de todos. Es decepcionante el no poder estar todos juntos, pero estoy seguro de que entienden el motivo de esta decisión. Uno de los Prefects mencionó que es un año en el que se ha perdido tanto, y esta ceremonia es una más en la lista, pero el insistir en hacerla no sería una acción responsable. El comentario demuestra madurez, sensibilidad, empatía y mucha responsabilidad.

En el mes de diciembre enviaré mi discurso a los alumnos de 6YL y sus padres, junto con un mensaje de los Prefects de 6 Year en formato carta. Les informaremos los ganadores de los premios. Mientras tanto, por favor cuidense y espero verlos pronto.

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