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Dear Parents and Guardians:

I would like to thank you for your support and perseverance throughout the remote learning experience. This was new to all of us and there was a lot to learn. It would not have been possible without you. Your children depended on you not only to be their teacher at home, but also to encourage them to engage in learning everyday,

Thank you to those of you who have already participated in the Return to School Survey. 45% of our families have completed the survey so far, however, if you did not have an opportunity to answer it yet, the survey deadline has been extended to June 30th. Your input is important as we begin to make plans for September. Please make your voice count. During the summer, we will be planning for the fall. However, as we plan, we are planning with uncertainty. It is difficult to predict what September will be like. It all depends on the state of the coronavirus in the fall and the cases of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C), a condition that has affected children in NYC, in the country and the world. In planning for re-opening, various options are under consideration. The health and safety of our students, families, and staff, remains a priority. We must be prepared to follow the guidance of health experts as we get closer to September. In any case, all the possibilities to return to school in September include social distancing, frequent hand washing, wearing masks, and staying healthy. Social distancing recommendations will mean that not all students will be attending school at the same time. We need to be prepared for different possibilities including a combination of in-person and remote learning. The Department of Education is working with the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in order to offer guidance that protects the health and safety of our students and families, as well as staff.

We have posted information and resources to help your child continue learning during the summer. Resources are in your child's current Google Classroom, on ClassDojo, and on our website. As a reminder, you will be able to access your child's report card on June 7th on the NYC Schools Account (NYCSA). Please be sure you have set up your account. Resources to set up an account have been posted on ClassDojo. If you need assistance, please email Ms. Mrazovic, Parent Coordinator at MMrazovic@schools.nyc.gov. Recognizing the significant impact of COVID-19 on school staff, students, and their families, teachers have based students' final grades on a holistic review of their progress before and after we started remote learning.

Congratulations to all our students, your children, on their academic success and their perseverance! They have all accomplished so much during difficult times. We are all proud of the resiliency they have shown and we all hope to see you all in September. Please check the NYCDOE website at <https://schools.nyc.gov> and/or our school's website at <http://www.ps69q.com/> throughout August to obtain updated information and guidance about the re-opening of schools.

As always, we appreciate your continued support. All of us at P.S. 69 wish you a safe, restful, healthy summer!.

Sincerely,

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