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Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe that the school year is drawing to a close and that we are already planning for the next academic year. Despite the many challenges with funding pressures across the education sector, I am delighted with the school's progress over the last 12 months.

It is always our aim to improve the life chances of our pupils and throughout the school year they have risen to the high expectations set by their teachers. Their commitment, resilience and positive attitude to learning have been evident. I am very optimistic that the efforts of both pupils and staff will be reflected in the examination outcomes published this August.

I should also point out that education is not just about percentages and grades – it is much more than that. Pupils thrive when they feel valued and supported, and through revisiting our core values in the last few weeks and listening carefully to the views of our school community, we are entirely committed to ensuring that Lisneal College continues to go from strength to strength.

I would like to thank you, our parents/carers, for your continued support. Your partnership with the school plays a vital role in helping our young people succeed. I am very proud to lead Lisneal College and you have my assurance that my staff and I will continue to do everything in our power to make our pupils feel proud to say they attend our school.

Once again, our school look forward to welcoming more than 200 year 8 pupils in September 2026, which clearly demonstrates the confidence our community has in the direction of Lisneal College, and we are delighted that so many families wish to be part of our journey.

As we look ahead to the 2026/27 academic year, the school will continue to evolve. We will welcome several new members of staff and say good-bye to a few who are leaving us.

As the year has progressed, we have continued to evaluate our policies and practices to ensure the highest standards across the school. We will keep these under review as we move forward, always seeking to improve the experience for our pupils.

I would also like to make you aware that, from September, we will be introducing a school fund. This has become necessary due to a reduction in funding from the Department, particularly in



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relation to our Special Educational Needs (SEN) budget and Extended Schools provision. This proposal has been discussed and agreed by the Board of Governors.

The school fund will be set at £20 per child, with a maximum contribution of £30 per family. I would like to emphasise that this is a voluntary contribution. Payments will be made through iPay, and further details will be shared with you in the new term. Any support you can provide will greatly assist us in maintaining the high-quality support, resources and opportunities that we strive to offer all of our pupils.

During the final weeks of term, we will continue to recognise those pupils who have consistently demonstrated our core values and upheld the high standards expected in Lisneal College.

Wednesday 24th June	Year 11 Trip to Jungle NI and last day
Thursday 25th June	Year 10 Trip to Belfast Zoo and last day
Friday 26th June	Year 9 Trip to Bowling Alley and last day
Monday 29th June	Year 8 : 9am-12.10am Inflatables (Buses booked)
Monday 29th June	Year 12 Leavers: Inflatables 12.45 – 3pm (No buses)
Tuesday 30th June	Staff Training

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs R Mullan

Principal