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Greetings King Families,

It's hard to believe our first semester is over. During first semester we focused on helping students adjust to re-entering school after a prolonged absence, meeting new and old friends for the first time in almost two years during the first semester. In addition, we worked on establishing protocols for health and safety, restarting middle school sports and afterschool activities, and finally understanding that most of our 6th and 7th graders were last in school in the 4th and 5th grades. This made for an exciting and busy transition to Middle School!

Our teachers spent time building relationships with their new students, creating learning environments that were safe and engaging while teaching the middle school curriculum. But, of course, I cannot leave out dealing with COVID. Although there were some hiccups along the way, our students, teachers, and staff have been resilient, optimistic, and focused on doing things the "King Way" (respectful, responsible, and safe).

Thank you for extending grace and patience to me as the Interim Principal. You have exceptional children, and I am thankful to be a part of this beautiful school every day.

The second semester officially begins on Tuesday, January 4th, and we will be virtual for the week. We are fully prepared to teach virtually and look forward to a beautiful second semester. We have made a few staffing adjustments due to staff members who could not return for the second semester. New assignments are as follows:

Mr. Cohen----- 6th grade Introduction to Chinese
Mr. McKie----- 6th grade Social Studies
Ms. Perry-----7th grade Spanish I (new hire)
Mr. Mulholland-----7th grade Chinese I

I am looking forward to a productive, active return to school on January 4th, 2022, and I hope everyone enjoyed a safe, healthy, and restful holiday break.

Barbara Shea
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