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Dear Sharon

Re: HPL World Class School Award Re-accreditation

We are delighted to inform you that following your three years as an HPL World Class School, Sacred Heart High School has been successful in re-accreditation and will now hold the status of HPL World Class School for a further three years.

Our assessor was particularly impressed with how the Sacred Heart Goals are married with High Performance Learning to create an atmosphere of compassionate high expectations for all students. This was emphasised by staff through comments such as 'there is no cap on performance' and 'HPL is shattering the glass ceiling' and illustrated by the success of the policy of no prior-attainment groupings. Again, a member of staff summed up the success by commenting that it has been a 'game-changer' in improving self-confidence for all students. The behaviour and inclusion department works effectively with the SEN department to provide consistent messaging and support to remove barriers to students' learning. Increased emphasis on resilience has led to better attendance figures for students. It was also a treat to see how students shine in a range of different areas whether taking part in competitions, working with students from other year groups, helping to direct 'Antigone', observing lessons to see the extent to which HPL principles are embedded or serving on the Eco Committee to encourage higher levels of environmental awareness. It was a tribute to Sacred Heart High School to hear one student describe the school as 'we are a community, but we are all individuals. Each of us is special.'

Sacred Heart High School truly is an exceptional school that others can look to for inspiration. We look forward very much to witnessing its next developments through ongoing participation in the HPL Fellowship and Global Community of Schools.

Your HPL World Class School status is held for three years before requiring another re-validation and can continue to be used in your publicity materials during that period. You will need to complete this re-validation by July 2027 to retain this status and we hope you will be well placed to do so. Retaining this award is a considerable milestone in your school's quest for continuous improvement but like all excellent schools, we expect that you will continue to strive for even better. Hence the next re-validation process will again require evidence of continuous improvement and movement towards the long term goal of every student becoming a high performer.

You are warmly invited to receive your award in person at our HPL Annual Conference in 2025. I do hope you and your HPL Leads will be able to join us.

May I say that as a team we have all very much enjoyed working with you to date and have found both the staff and the students to be delightfully committed and enthusiastic.

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Many congratulations on your extraordinary achievement.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Deborah Eyre, Founder and Chair, High Performance Learning