



## Year End Message from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board

As the end of the school year approaches, we often take stock of the year that has just passed. We look back on the successes, look for opportunities to enhance or improve in some area, and of course we begin to look forward to a well-earned rest from our day to day work responsibilities.

However you choose to spend these warm summer days, we wish you peace, health and happiness.

We thank you for all that you have done to support our students, and our schools throughout the year. It is your commitment to excellence that supports student success and well-being.

The 2017-2018 school year saw us completing the three-year cycle of our pastoral plan with the celebration of the Year of the School, and we look forward to the implementation of our new pastoral plan “Rooted in Christ: we Belong, we Believe, we Become” in September. Our new plan refocuses our attention on some fundamental concepts inherent in our faith. Who am I? How do I belong? How can I play a part in ensuring that everyone feels a sense of belonging? Words like welcome, inclusion and equity come to mind. We will be revisiting some of the foundations of our faith as we explore what we collectively believe and how those beliefs shape who we are and who we can become.

This year ended as it often does with a number of changes to staffing in our schools and centrally to the senior administrative team. We wish all of our retirees the very best as they leave us after many years of faithful service to Catholic education and we look forward to the new possibilities and fresh ideas that a change in leadership can bring.

As you embark on your summer adventures, including some memorable time with family and friends, we wish you all a safe, happy and satisfying break.

Enjoy your summer!

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Director of Education

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Chair of the Board