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Dear Barry,

As the summer term comes to an end I wanted to write to you to express my gratitude both personally and as Chair of the Church of Ireland Board of Education (NI) for the quite incredible work which teachers and principals have been doing to continue to educate children and young people since schools were closed in March. It has been a prodigy of sustained endeavour and resourcefulness of which all staff in the Controlled Sector can be justly proud.

I hope that staff can get some kind of a decent break over the summer before their earlier than usual return to the classroom in mid-August. I have no doubt that we will all be returning to a very changed educational landscape which will require major revision of policy assumptions not least in terms of Area Planning, but in many others also.

However, that's all for the future, but for now I'd be obliged if you could pass on my heartfelt thanks in any way you can.

Yours sincerely

+John Armagh: