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Dear Wardlaw+Hartridge Families,

Summer has been a busy time here at W+H, as students of all ages attended our summer camp and summer school while administration has been at work on a wide range of program initiatives and planning for the upcoming school year. Perhaps the hardest working crew on campus this summer is our maintenance team, led by Leaford Thompson. Projects large and small, seen and unseen, require their talents and time year round and especially in summer when so much must be readied for opening day.

In addition to the many divisional and department projects that require extended time during summer months, our leadership team gathered on campus for a retreat focused on developing our strategic plan, a road map to guide our school over the next several years. There is much to be excited about in that plan, and we look forward to sharing more details with you in coming months and also seeking your feedback.

Although I have been part of this incredible community for over 17 years, this is my first new school year as Head of School. I am grateful for the opportunity and committed to meeting my responsibilities, which include ensuring our powerful sense of community is felt by all who are part of the Wardlaw+Hartridge family. Perhaps the only constant in life is change itself, and the ways in which we respond to change as a community determines our longer term success and, most importantly, the success of our students.

In the coming days and weeks, you will hear from division heads and others with news and updates about the year ahead. In store are exciting enhancements to programs and curricula, initiatives to enhance a sense of belonging and well-being, and continued development of leadership opportunities for children across the divisions. Whether your family is beginning year one or year twenty-one at W+H, we are all part of the larger Ram Family. I could not be prouder to call this one-of-a-kind institution my home.

Onward!

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Head of School