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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It seems just a few days ago when we said farewell to the students of the 2nd Generation. In reality, almost 3 weeks has passed since the Closing Ceremony which can be viewed (again?) on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OALD2EK5qk>. [This](#) is the link to the Closing Ceremony Photos on our Facebook Channel.

Many students were able to travel home. I hope there were joyful reunions. Some students have used this as a time to travel around Europe and other parts especially with their UWC friends but will be returning home soon. I hope they travel safely. A few students have not been able to travel home – sometimes because where “home” is it is too dangerous or that politics would make it difficult to leave home to travel on to university abroad. To the parents and guardians of these students, our hearts are with you.

The IB results will be published (by the IB) on the 6th July. All students have been given the necessary password to access their results. Christian Bock (Director of Studies) and I will be at the College on that day to help resolve any specific difficulties and to answer queries.

Of course, the IB results are very important, and in some instances university offers have been made conditional on your child achieving a particular aggregate. But the IB results are a hugely incomplete account of the almost 2 years spent at UWC Robert Bosch College – the UWC experience cannot be distilled into 6 subject grades, a grade for Theory of Knowledge / the Extended Essay and an overall Aggregate. The teachers voted to write comprehensive reports for each student for this Semester, to give a fuller account of your child’s engagement. The reports carry no grades as the IB results have a strong final examination bias in most subjects. These reports are simply for the students, for you, and for the relevant National Committees. They are not needed for university records.

We miss the 2nd Generation and have delighted in the occasional visits by graduates passing by Freiburg and in electronic contact with many. We look forward to keeping in touch, to hearing of progress, to hearing of their increasing contributions in working for a better world.

Thank you, Parents and Guardians, for your support over the last two years, especially for your 'gift' in allowing your child to leave home and in many cases to travel what might have seemed like half-way around the world to UWC. Through your gift and your engagement you have become part of the UWC family!

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laurence Nodder". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

Laurence Nodder
Rektor