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Families,

I hope that you have enjoyed your summer and are ready to begin a new school year. We look forward to welcoming students back to class this week.

I am writing with an update on the Pre-Primary to Grade 2 playground at Joseph Howe Elementary. The playground structure has recently been removed, as it was determined unsafe. In the coming weeks, a temporary play area will be constructed in this space as a short-term solution.

Please be assured that we are evaluating options for a more permanent play area and continue to work through the design phase.

The safety and well-being of students and staff are top priorities for HRCE. We thank community members for their patience and understanding as we work to make the playground a safer and more welcoming space for children and staff.

Principal MacDonald is happy to speak with you if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kavita Khanna

**Director, Operations Services** 

Halifax Regional Centre for Education