Dear Parents, Students, and Staff,

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for all that we have achieved together as a community. It has truly been a rewarding year for Jewels International School of Kinshasa. As an IB Continuum School, we have witnessed our students grow not just academically, but also as compassionate global citizens equipped to navigate the complexities of the world with integrity and creativity.

Looking Back at Our Accomplishments

Last year was marked by remarkable milestones and unforgettable moments. Our students excelled in various academic and extracurricular domains, showcasing their talents in school events, national competitions, and international platforms and the school was globally recognised as an IB continuum school with wholesome contribution to international education. We also saw the successful culmination of several community-driven projects that exemplified the IB philosophy of creating a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. From environmental initiatives to service projects addressing local community needs, our students and staff demonstrated their commitment to making a positive impact.

The Focus for the Year Ahead

As we embark on this new academic year, our focus remains steadfast on holistic development and academic excellence. Our theme for the year is **"Building Bridges: Fostering Connections and Growth."** We aim to:

- Enhance Interdisciplinary Learning: Encouraging students to explore connections between subjects, fostering deeper understanding and critical thinking skills.
- Promote Sustainability: Building on the successes of previous projects, we will emphasize sustainable practices within our school and the wider community.
- 3. **Celebrate Diversity:** Embracing the rich cultural heritage of Africa and the global community, we will continue to create opportunities for students to learn from and about diverse perspectives.
- 4. **Strengthen Community Engagement:** Hosting interactive events and workshops to bring parents, students, and staff together in meaningful dialogue and collaboration.

Our Commitment as an IB Continuum School

Being an IB Continuum School means that we are committed to the continuous development of our students through the Primary Years Programme (PYP), Middle Years Programme (MYP), and Diploma Programme (DP). Each stage is thoughtfully

designed to prepare our students for the challenges of the next, ensuring a seamless and enriching educational journey.

We are particularly excited to introduce new initiatives this year, including enhanced student support services, updated facilities, and advanced technology integration to support learning and teaching.

A Heartfelt Thank You

None of these achievements would be possible without the dedication of our incredible staff, the enthusiasm of our students, and the unwavering support of our parents. Together, we form a vibrant and dynamic community that continues to inspire excellence.

I look forward to an exciting year ahead, filled with opportunities to learn, grow, and succeed together. Let us continue to shine as the "Jewels" of Kinshasa, celebrating the wonders of Africa and the unique opportunities it provides.

Warm regards,

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