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The summer is a great time of year. We can all get outside and enjoy the fresh air, the warm sunshine and the chance to do exciting things. We can play outside, go to the beach or have a picnic or a barbecue in the garden. In the summer I really enjoy going to watch cricket. There's nothing I like more than a day out in the sunshine, sunglasses on, watching England beat Australia.

God has given us a beautiful world to live in and we need to look after it. It's precious and delicate. I have just been to visit friends of Lincolnshire in Fiji and Tonga, islands on the other side of the world. Together we are trying to learn how to care for our world, so it will always be a place where we can be safe and have enough food and live happily alongside all God's animals and plants and birds.

What I learnt there was that it is young people and children like you who will make a big difference. As you enjoy being out in the open this summer, can I ask you to think how you might help save God's beautiful world? Unplug your electronic devices overnight, don't use a straw or do use a paper one, plant a seed, recycle paper and cans, don't crush that spider. There are all sorts of things you can do.

At this lovely time of year, I wish you every blessing as a child in God's world. As you move on to the next school year here or in another school, may God help you to become all you want to be in his wonderful world.

With every good wish,

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