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Dear Students,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and had as much fun as possible! I spent my summer spending time with friends and family, being outside as much as possible, taking walks, enjoying my garden, and reading lots of good books. I can't wait to hear about what you did over the summer break!

My family went on vacation to Arizona (the desert) and also to San Diego, California (the beach). While I enjoyed the beauty of the desert, I did not enjoy the 100+ temperatures each day and was glad to drive to San Diego from Arizona to see the ocean and enjoy cooler weather.

One of my favorite things I did on vacation was to go explore the tide pools of the Pacific Ocean on the beaches in San Diego. I saw so many amazing creatures, plants and rocks inside the tide pools! When we come back to school, I would like to explore tide pools together. We will learn about tide pools and find out what causes them and what lives in them. We will also create our own tide pools and make ocean slime.

I can't wait to see you back at school on Friday, August 18 between 12:00-3:00. If you can't make it, I'll look forward to seeing you the first day of school and hearing all about your summer adventures! Please remember to bring an extra change of clothes to keep at school, including socks. As you know, exploring can get messy!

See you soon!

Ms. Leslie