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Hello everyone,

On behalf of the children of the Crèche and our small community, I am excited to say: it's back to school!

As school, and kindergarten resume at the crèche, we take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful school year filled with new projects and success.! For us here, we hope this year brings better experiences than those we faced last year. Despite the difficult circumstances we've encountered due to the war, confinement, and economic disruptions, we have been fortunate to engage in meaningful projects with our children, and we want to share these with you.

Every year, the children eagerly await the summer period, which feels like a "vacation" to them. During this time, activities multiply, introducing them to a different daily routine. Starting in May, we prepare for the annual summer camp, held outside the institution and far from

Bethlehem for the older children. This year, the camp took place in July in the city of Jericho and lasted almost two weeks. Its theme was "summer," featuring a variety of fun educational activities, competitions, games, and many outdoor activities, including visits to playgrounds and water parks in Jericho. It was a joy to see the children's happiness and hear their laughter throughout the camp.



Simultaneously, at the Crèche, we installed several inflatable aquatic structures of various sizes, generously donated by benefactors, so the younger children could also enjoy water games and new activities. The summer period is, as always, an opportunity to improve, develop, and maintain the Crèche's facilities in preparation for the new



year. Thanks to your support, extensive maintenance has been completed in the children's bedrooms, classrooms, and outdoor playgrounds.

Recently, we bid farewell to the children who have grown and are moving on, whether from the boarding school or the external nursery. We also welcomed a new group of about twenty children from families in need, allowing them to benefit from quality education in a nurturing environment.



We are ready to embrace this new year with joy and serenity, continuing to pray for the peace our country desperately needs.

We assure you of our faithful and daily prayers for each of you and your beloved families.



