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Dear Mr. McCarthy,

Kieve was the most amazing experience I have ever had. I do not know where to start to explain how I feel about it. I think the most important thing I can bring with me is confidence in myself. School is hard for me sometimes and I just give up easily and don't ask for help. At Kieve I learned that it is ok to be challenged and sometimes scared. I totally left my comfort zone at Kieve and I actually had some success! I helped my team in the lava pit challenge and I I did the ropes course. I was terrified but I did it. I think now I will do better in school because I will take more risks, push myself and ask for help. I feel better about myself.

Since we came back things are different and tell you a few reasons why. First, we are all working together so much better. It is like we know each other in a new way. This makes a real difference especially for our HOWLS. It is great for the teachers also because we are doing better. Second, I am trying harder in school and I think it is because I feel better about myself and I know my teachers and class better. Doing good sure feels good. Finally, I get the point of Kieve now. It was so fun, but what is really important now is how we bring that back to school and do well. I think I am doing a good job of that.

Thank you!

Anthony