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30th January 1986.

Dear Principal, Staff and Pupils of Concord High,

My class presented these letters to me at the end of the school day. They wanted to reach out to you all and offer their sympathy and support. Not set as work, or corrected, these letters reach you framed from the heart.

In their own, sometimes awkward way, I feel these sentiments must also be shared by children in classrooms all around the world. We all share in your admiration for Christa, we share in your sorrow, and we are all willing you to rise above that sorrow.

Yours fraternally.

Mary Kelso (teacher)

Class 312. Holly Lodge.

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive,
Liverpool 13,
England.

30th January 1986.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School

I am writing to you to send my deepest sympathy and condolences, I cannot express enough how unhappy I am for you.

I can imagine the atmosphere at school and at home after the terrible incident with the shuttle. You must deeply miss such a dedicated teacher as Mrs McAuliffe.

Even though I did not know Mrs McAuliffe, after watching the pictures on television, I felt as though I had lost someone very special to me.

Mrs McAuliffe was inspired by the words of John Kennedy, and millions of children and adults alike will be inspired by her.

Yours with deepest sympathy,

Miss E Shorten.

(Aged 13 $\frac{3}{4}$)

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School,
Queens Drive,
Liverpool 13
England

30TH January 1986.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to express my deepest sympathy to you after the tragic space accident. I saw the whole thing on the television, and it must have been terrible for you actually being there watching it.

From the papers we understand that Crista was a great teacher, so this must be a very sad loss for you. When Crista was first chosen to go up in the shuttle it must have been a very happy time for her, it just shows you how something exciting can turn into something so tragic. I know she has died with your cheers in her ears.

My deepest sympathy

Alison Donnelly
Age 13.

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
School

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England

30.1.86.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,
I am writing to you to express my sympathy and hope you will accept my condolences.

Your teacher was one in eleven thousands and I would have liked to have known her. From what I can tell she must have been a wonderful teacher and person.

I have never realized it could be this dangerous I just wish it had turned out better and everyone could of seen the clips of her reports.

We are all thinking of you in our school

With deepest sympathy
Angela Browne
Age 14.

Hollyhodge Comprehensive
School.

Queens Drive

Liverpool 13

ENGLAND

30th January 1986

Dear staff and pupils of Concord High School.

I am writing to express my sincere sympathy and condolences. I can understand how deeply upset you are now over your teacher Christa McAuliffe, it was very tragic, and you must all miss her very much. Christa McAuliffe must have been a wonderful person, having been chosen out of 11,000 applicants for the privilege of the first citizen to be sent into space.

Christa McAuliffe was a very brave person, and the whole world will remember her as being very brave.

I can imagine how you can feel, because people who were watching television in England were also very shocked and sorry for Christa's pupils, friends and family.

I also express my feelings for the other astronauts families, friends and anyone who had the good fortune of knowing them.

yours with my deepest sympathy

Janet Beukers.

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Janet Beukers

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Holly Lodge Comprehensive
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-30-1-86-

Dear Principal and Pupils,

I and a lot of friends who don't attend my school, wish to send our deepest sympathy and condolences. I think you are all very brave in wanting the space project to go on.

Christa McAuliffe was, to me, a lady in a million. I myself wouldn't like to go up into space, but I will never forget her face when they showed her on the news bulletins as she won the place to be the first Citizen in space.

As a schoolgirl myself, I know how you feel. Whenever I see a picture of the fatal explosion, I feel like I have lost a distant relation or a friend.

I hope this letter helps you recover from shock.

My sincere best wishes

Carrie Gardner aged 13.

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School

Queens Drive

Liverpool 13

England

30th January 1986

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to you tell you how sorry I am about the shuttle exploding, but think to help man improve things people often have to give their lives and Christa will always be remembered as well as the other astronauts on board, all of this will help space technology. Seven people have died but because of the shuttle and experiments many people from future experiments, may have their lives saved.

I watched the explosion on television and I know how upsetting it was for you seeing it live. The girls from Holly Lodge wrote these letters of their own will, because we know how terrible a loss it would be to lose one of our teachers. Crista sounds a very warm teacher and I am very upset you had to lose her.

My deepest sympathy

Jayne Russell

Age 13.

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School,
Queens Drive,
Liverpool 13,
England.
30th January 1986.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to you to express my deepest sympathy and condolences, when the Shuttle-Challenger exploded just after launching. This disastrous incident was heartbreaking and I feel very unhappy for the staff and Pupils at your school. At first I thought there would be some hope of survival, but very sadly there wasn't. I imagine Mrs Christa McAuliffe was a great teacher although I did not know her. I know she will be sadly missed.

deepest sympathy

from

Jayne Yuen age 14

Holly Lodge Comp.
Queens drive
Liverpool 13
England.

30th January 1986

Dear staff and pupils of Concord High School
I am writing to you to express
my sincere sympathy, to you and the people
of your city. I have heard all about it on
the news and in the newspapers.

yours sincerely
Anna Warner

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive
Liverpool. 13
West Derby
England.
30th January '86

Dear staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to offer my sympathy and condolences, I have seen and heard so much about you and your teacher Mrs Christa McAuliffe. We all understand your feelings about this tragic incident. I would of been proud to know her it's a very sad and sorry time for all of you as it was for all of Liverpool back in May of 1985. I don't think that Newspaper reporters think of your feelings when they are interviewing asking questions at a time like this. Once again I offer my deepest sympathy

Yours with deepest sympathy
Gayne Ryer

Molly Hodge Comprehension
Queens Drive,
Liverpool 13,
England.
30th January 86.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to you with deepest sympathy after the dreadful disaster of the spacecraft which included Mrs McAuliffe, a teacher who had a lot of enthusiasm and courage to enter the rocket. I hope you will accept my sincere condolences after the painful sorrow you have suffered and the absence of a wonderful person.

Yours

Sympathetically
Lisa Martin

Holy Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive
Liverpool 13
England

30th January 86

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord
High School.

I am writing to you to express
my feelings to what happened to
your teacher Mrs McAuliff.

It was a chance a life time and it
turned out to be a disaster.

From what I have heard I believe she
was a very nice person and would of
liked to have read her report. I

admire her enthusiasm of writing an
11 page application. She must of been
very interested this space project.

And once more I would like to send
my ~~ap~~ sympathies to the people who
knew her

Yours sincerely

Lynne Dyer

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School
Queens Drive
Liverpool 13
England
30th February 1986

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to you to offer my sympathy and condolences for the terrible tragedy that has occurred.

You must have suffered a lot of sorrow for your teacher Mrs McAuliffe. I can not begin to imagine your anguish.

I must offer my sincere sympathy and regards to all of Christa McAuliffe's parents and relatives. My sympathy also goes out to the friends and relatives of the other unfortunate astronauts.

Yours with Deepest Sympathy

Pamela Johnston

AGE 14

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive
Liverpool 13
England
30th January 1986

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to express my sympathy in losing your teacher Christa McAuliffe. She sounded a lovely person and I know she will be missed by everybody all over the world. I can understand the shock of you seeing the shuttle blowing up, and especially with your teacher being so nice and special to you all. Once again I would like to express my condolences to all of you.

Yours Sincerely

Joanne Pinnington.

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School,
Queens Drive,
Liverpool 13
England
30th January 1986.

Dear Staff and pupils at Concord High School,

I am writing to you to offer my condolences over the sad misfortune of Mrs. Chinota M^cPhuliffe's death.

She was very, very brave to have gone up there in the shuttle and risk her life.

She wasn't very lucky after winning a place in the shuttles journey after all. A letter saying she had won a place in the shuttle changed her life, made a new beginning and an end for a very brave mother.

You are very unfortunate to have lost a work colleague and a teacher. Again I offer my condolences

Yours with deepest sympathy

Liz Foulkes.

Liz Foulkes aged 14 years.
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30th January 86

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School

I am writing to show my sympathy about the tragic news of your teacher. You were very lucky to have her and I would be very proud to even have known her but unfortunately I didn't. We understand how you feel about the very upsetting incident because it happened with us in Brussels in May 85. I never thought how dangerous this could end up.

With my deepest and condolences

Sammy Meighan

Holly Lodge Comprehensive School,

Queens Drive,

West Derby,

Liverpool 13,

England

30th January.

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to express my sincere sympathy and condolences. No-one could possibly describe how you must be feeling right now. It must have been a very peculiar sensation; one minute being elated at the thought of your teacher, Mrs. Mc. Auliffe being the first civilian passenger to board a shuttle, but then the next witnessing a tragic accident. Though you will all probably receive a lot of sympathizing letters, but when all is said and done no letter or word can help except the fact that both families and pupils pull together at a time like this to give one another comfort.

Yours with sincerity,

Suzanne Crofts (aged 14 1/2)

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive
Liverpool 13
West Derby

England

30th January 1986

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

I am writing to offer you my sympathy. I know you are all very upset. It must have been awful for you to have your feelings changed so tragically on the morning of the flight.

My class share with you in your sadness. As school-children across the world we know and share your feelings.

Leaving you with my
deepest condolences

Lisa Prothers age 14

Miss L Prothers
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Holly Lodge Comprehensive School
Queens Drive
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Liverpool L13.
England.

30th January 1986.

Dear Staff and Pupils at Concord High School, I am writing to you to say how upset I was to hear about what happened to Mrs Christa McAuliffe. When I heard about the space shuttle being blown up I was deeply grieved, but even more so when I heard about your school teacher. It must be terrible for you all to just carry on as before without your dear friend Mrs Christa McAuliffe. I know that if it would have been one of the school teachers in my school I would have been deeply enough upset. You were very lucky to have had a teacher like Mrs McAuliffe she was one in 11,000 people entering that competition. It must have been terrible for you all to actually be standing there and watching also it must have been terrible to have to stand there and have your photographs taken at a time like that. I think that the press were being very cruel to have put you all through the distress of seeing your upset looking faces in the newspapers. Once again I offer my deepest sympathy to you all at Concord high school.

Yours With Deepest Sympathy

Debbie Morris aged 13.

Stolly Lodge Comprehensive
Gaucens Drive
West Derby
Liverpool L13
England
30/1/86

Dear Principal and Pupils of Convent High School,

I am writing to tell you how deeply sorry and upset I was, when I heard about the shuttle, blowing up. It came as a big shock to me.

I was watching a programme called 'Splash' when there was a News Flash, and I saw the shuttle explode, and even though I never knew any of the crew, I had the strange feeling that I had lost somebody very dear ~~for~~^{to} me.

I understand, from news clips, that Christa McAuliffe was a very great woman, to get chosen from amongst almost 11,000 people, and that you all loved her dearly.

I can only say over and over again that I am very upset about this tragic event, and how sad you must all feel. But no matter how terribly Christa died, she was a very BRAVE woman,

yours sincerely,

Rachel V. Slannis
aged 13

Holly Lodge Comptonville,
Queens Drive,
Liverpool L15.
England
30th January 1986

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School,

After watching the shocking disaster with sympathy I have decided to write to you to express my sincere condolences. I can't image how much of a shock it must have been for you.

Although I only saw Christa on the television for a small time but I got the impression that she was a lovely and lively person. Please accept these sympathies.

Yours,

Sorrowfully,

Lisa Potts

(Aged 14)

Holly Lodge Comprehensive
Queens Drive
Liverpool 13
ENGLAND
30TH January

Dear Staff and Pupils of Concord High School. I offer my sympathy to every person in New Hampshire and her family and friends, I am sad to hear that such an incident should occur to a lady with a personality as Christa M^S Duliffes.

I offer my deepest sympathy and feel distressed that you all should lose a lovely teacher

Deepest Regrets
Janifer Baker

age 13