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The Headmaster
Concord High School
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Dear Sir:

We have been asked by Mr. Brian Matthews, Headteacher at Oak Lodge School, Hampshire, England, to pass on the enclosed letter from two of his pupils.

May I, as well, take this opportunity to pass on the condolences of the staff of the Press Office at the American Embassy in London to you, your staff and pupils, and to Mrs. McAuliffe's family.

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Callahan
First Secretary
Press and Information

Encl: a/s

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Dear Sir,

Oak Lodge is a school for children with learning difficulties, situated in Southampton, England.

The children were very moved by the accounts of the Shuttle tragedy and particularly by the death of the teacher, Mrs. Krista McAuliffe. We thought of how her family and her pupils would be feeling and we wanted them to know that we joined them in their sorrow. Two of the children composed the enclosed letter and I would be pleased if you could pass on to her husband, her own children, and your pupils the sentiments that it contains.

We thank God for the blessing of television that enables us to draw close to you at such a time.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Headteacher

I should like to write to say how sorry I was to see the lovely space shuttle blow up the seven brave American heroes will be sadly missed,

we were very sad for your children as their favourite teacher died in the shuttle. we wanted you to know we were thinking about you and we said prayers for you all in assembly. I hope there will be some more brave space-men to take their place soon, so that space travel can continue

Love from
Clare Quinn
and
Sean Edwards