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ESTOVER PRIMARY SCHOOL  
MILLER WAY  
ESTOVER  
PLYMOUTH

Your ref:  
My ref:

Date: 4th February 1986

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Dear Mr Folley,

My school was shocked to see & hear of the tragic loss of your colleague and friend Christa McAuliffe. There has been an immediate response to write to you, your staff, pupils and community. Our pupils, who are of primary age, well remember a similar loss we experienced two years ago and thus we are well able to share your grief.

I am forwarding a few of the letters which our infants and 3rd and 4th years wanted to write. I join them in hoping that Mrs McAuliffe's courage will be an example to us all!

From this side of the Atlantic - God bless you!

John Baker & Estover C.P.



Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
Plymouth,  
Devon  
England.

29th January 1986

Dear Friends,  
I am sorry that your teacher died.

do not think of ~~bad~~ things. think of good things.  
think of good Times you had with her. my uncle Bolix  
died and I felt sad

With love from  
Clair Evans  
aged  $6\frac{3}{4}$

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
plymouth  
DEVON  
England

29th January 1986

Dear Friends,

I am so sad that your  
teacher died. please can you think about  
the happy times you had with her. I  
know how it feels because my uncle and my  
aunty died.

With love from  
Barry Jobe

aged 7

Unit 3M  
Estover Cof. School,  
Miller Way  
PLYmouth  
Devon, England.  
29th January 1986

Dear Friends,  
I am sorry because the rocket  
exploded. I know how you feel  
and your teacher is brave

With love Dominic  
aged 6

Estover C.P. School  
Miller Way  
Plymouth

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January  
Devon

Dear School

I am very very sorry  
that your teacher is dead I  
would feel just the same if it  
happened to my teacher. I saw  
it on the news I thought it was  
going to be alright but I was  
wrong wasn't I saw it when  
it blew up I am sad that your

Teacher WAS in the rocket at  
the time

from  
Claire Dean

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
Estover,  
Plymouth,  
Devon.  
England.  
5/2/86.

Dear Principal & Staff,

I'm sitting quietly with the children as they try to express their sympathy to the children in your school. In many ways the sudden death of a very dedicated colleague of mine gives me a degree of understanding of your present emotions and difficulties. So many things in a school reminds one of happier times and yet the process of teaching and helping the children has to continue uninterrupted. It isn't easy, perhaps harder when the whole world is focused on you.

With the children's help the pain will pass and you will remember with love the good times as we so often do.

In Sympathy,

Yours sincerely  
Heather Norman.

Estover C.P. School,  
Millar Way,  
Estover,  
Plymouth,  
Devon,  
England 5/2/86

Dear Friends,

My deepest sympathy over your sad loss. The people at our school have experienced a similar tragedy to yours. We know how you must be feeling. Our games teacher Mrs. Langton died in a car crash, on her way to school 3 years ago. When we were told we were shocked. I know how you must be feeling, seeing your teacher Christa McAuliffe die on T.V. In remembrance of our teacher we bought a trophy cabinet. You must

remember what Vice President  
George Bush said to you  
all. She had courage.

Yours Sincerely

Melanie Wilson

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
Estover,  
Plymouth,  
Devon,  
England 5/2/86

Dear Friends,

I know how you must feel about losing your teacher Christa. Mc Auliffe. I know because we have lost one of our teachers in a car accident about three years ago. But it must have been worse for you because you saw it live on the television. And we did not see our teacher killed. In remembrance we had a memorial cabinet. To put our trophies in. And that is why I offer my greatest sympathy. I think you should remember your teacher because everything - Vice President Bush said is true She was very brave and full of courage

Yours Sincerely,  
Claire Francis

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller way  
Plymouth  
Devon  
5.2.86

Dear Friends,

We are very sorry about the teacher you lost in the shuttle. We are writing to tell you we have experienced the same fate as one of our very much loved teachers died in a car crash three years ago. She taught school work as well as games it was a great loss. We bought a trophy cabinet in remembrance. I am sure you loved your teacher as much as we still do even though she can't be with us today.

yours sincerely  
Scott Barton

Eastover C.P. School  
Miller Way  
Plymouth  
Devon  
U.K. 5.2.86

Dear Friends,

I am very sorry to hear about your teacher's death. Our school <sup>knows</sup> just how you feel. Three years ago one of our teachers died and when we found out we just felt awful. She was a sports teacher and when we have sports we remember her. Your teacher must have been very brave to have gone up in the space shuttle. It must have been awful to see the disaster. It must have been a painful experience.

All my Sympathy

Marie Ashford.

Estover C.P. School  
Miller Way  
Plymouth  
Dewar  
5.2.86

Dear Friends,

We have heard the disaster about your teacher on the news. We are very sorry that it has happened. We have had the <sup>same</sup> worries as you because three years ago our teacher died in a road crash on a frosty morning. Our teacher Mrs Langton. I will never forget the shuttle and Christa Mc. Ruliffe.

yours Sincerely  
Wayne Dolley

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
Estover,  
Plymouth,  
Devon.  
5/2/86

Dear Friends,

I am very sorry about your teacher. You may not believe that I feel the same way but I do. You see about three years ago one of our teachers got killed in a car crash. So we felt down once to, and she was a very loved teacher. When we are playing games like netball we think about her for she was our games teacher. We have also put a cabinet up just for her. So we do know just how you feel.

Yours Truly,  
Marie Gilbert.

Estover C.P. School,  
Miller Way,  
Estover,  
Plymouth,  
Devon  
U.K

Dear Friends,

5/2/86/

I am very sorry about your teacher. I understand your feelings. As one of teachers has died. About three years ago in a car crash. She was very loved. We have shared the same experience it was dreadful. She was our games teacher.

We hope you will get over this terrible disaster.

All my sympathy

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Yours  
Sincerely  
Tina May

Dear Friends,  
We would like to express  
our feelings of sympathy to you and your  
country.  
We are very, very sorry to hear that you  
have lost one of your much-loved teachers  
we also have lost one of our teachers in  
the past in a crash.  
We would just like to  
say that we are very sorry.

Estover C.P. School  
Miller Way  
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Plymouth  
Devon  
England 5/2/86

Estover C.P. School  
Miller way  
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Devon  
5.2.86

Dear Friends

I heard about your teacher on the news and I am very sorry. I know how you feel because we had a teacher called Mrs Langton who was killed and we felt horrible about it. She was killed in her car on an icy road but I know that it was worse for you. I am really sad about it.

Yours truly  
Nery Lazarus.

Estover c.p. school  
Miller Way  
Estover  
Plymouth  
Devon  
5/2/86

Dear Friends

We are very sad for  
your teacher Christa McAlliffe.  
We saw the disaster on the t.v. and  
know how you must feel. We had a  
teacher called Mrs Langton who  
who died in a car crash three years  
ago. We had a trophy cabinet built  
in her memory.

yours truly  
Gary Parfett

Estover C.P School  
Miller Way  
Estover  
Plymouth  
Doven  
5.2.86

Dear Friends

I am sorry to hear about the Space Disaster and the seven who were killed. About three years ago Mrs Langton died. Our school was sad about it too. She was on her way to school. we had a cabinet made so that we could remember her. I saw the disaster happen on t.v I was so sad to see it.

yours sincerely  
Keli martin

Estover C.P. school  
Miller Way  
Estover  
Plymouth  
Devon  
U.K.  
5.2.86

Dear Friends

I am very sorry about the space shuttle disaster. I know that a school teacher Christa McAuliffe was killed. I know how it feels to lose a teacher because our games teacher Mrs Langton was killed in a car crash 3 years ago. You have my deepest sympathy.

Yours truly  
Steven Selvester

Estover C.P School  
Miller way  
Estover  
Plymouth  
Devon  
5.2.86

Dear Friends

I am sorry to hear about the disaster and the Sevon who died. Three years ago Mrs Langton died in a car crash on her way to school. We had a cabinet made so that we would remember her. I saw the disaster happen on t.v.

yours Sincerely

Claire

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Miller Way  
E Stover  
Plymouth  
Devon  
U.K.  
5.2.86.

Dear Friends

I am deeply shocked in seeing your space shuttle blowing up. I know how you feel about all the seven astronauts, deaths but especially your teacher. We had a teacher who died in a car crash 3 years ago. Her name was Mrs Langton, she was our games teacher. You have my deepest sympathy.

Yours truly  
C. Purmidge.

Estover C.P. School  
Millerway  
Estover  
Plymouth  
Devon  
5.2.86

Dear friends  
We have seen what has  
happened and are very shocked about  
it. Our games teacher died so I  
know how you feel. We heard about it  
and felt very sad but you must  
feel worse.

your friend  
Shane Marks

Estover C.P. School

Miss May  
Estover

Hyman  
Laven

5.2.86.

Dear, French

I am  
three years ago  
in a car crash and she was our games teacher.  
So we all know you feel. Your teacher had  
great spirit and courage to go in  
the shuttle for you.

Yours truly,  
Johnna

worth.

England

By air mail  
Par avion

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Mr. C. Folley.

Principal.

The High School,

Concord,

New Hampshire.

U.S.A.