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Tuar An Daill,  
Luimneach.

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31-1-1986.

Dear Students,

There are no words to describe how shocked we were here in St. Paul's School to learn of the Space Shuttle Disaster. We had followed with great interest the preparations, and like you looked forward to success.

Though removed by distance, tragedy bridges that gap, and we want you to know how deeply sorry we are. I know how proud

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you must have seen of  
Christa M<sup>rs</sup> Muliffe. You have  
every reason to be; her  
task and wish was to prepare  
you for the future. We do  
not always understand God's  
ways, but we must learn  
to accept them. I know  
that, in time, this awful  
tragedy will strengthen you.

My class of 38 (nine-ten  
year olds) have displayed such  
deep feeling for the children of  
your school that I wanted  
you to know. You have

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the hopes and prayers of  
teachers and children everywhere.  
For this alone Chrísta McAuliffe's  
death was not in vain.

Yours sincerely.

Mareen Brooks.  
(class-teacher).

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Dear Friends

We are all very sorry at what  
happened your lovely teacher Christa M<sup>s</sup> Purkiss.  
I thought that she was a lovely person. I hope  
that ye get on well without her and that ye will be  
happy with your new teacher. I feel very sorry for  
you all. Bye for now it was nice  
wrighting to you,

Love

Laura Pellis.

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry  
for what happened and I want  
you to know what we are very  
sorry about your teacher. You should  
be proud of Mrs Mc Auliffe. I want  
you to know that we join in your  
mourning for all the seven crew  
members. The searchers are doing  
everything in their power to find  
the crew. We will remember to pray  
for her.

yours sorrowly

Oliver  
Nally.

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Dear Girls and Boys.

I am sorry your  
teacher died. She was  
nice. My Mammy is  
a teacher. I hope she  
teaches me sometime.  
I have a nice teacher  
too. I hope nothing  
happens to her. We  
all said prayers for all  
the people who died. I am 8.  
I was in Cape Cod last year. We  
have loads of cousins in Waterbury.  
Good bye. Sarah Brooks

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Dear Friends

I am deeply sorry for the  
accident and I hope she will be happy in hea-  
van. Looking down on you and you will see  
her when you go up to heaven. I hope your  
new teacher will be as nice and kind.

from Vincent Lahiff

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31-1-86

Dear Friends

I am very sorry  
about your teacher. You were very proud  
about your teacher going up in the  
space shuttle.

I hope you get a very nice teacher like  
Christa Ms Auliffe

Best of luck

From  
Michelle  
Reed

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Dear friends.

I'm so sorry what happened to your teacher Mrs. Mc'Auliffe, we are all stunned here. I hope you have a very nice teacher like Mrs. Auliffe. It was on Television, newspapers, and on Radio over here. I'm sure your school is in horror after it. Give my regards to the rest of the class. I'm sure you have got more letters as well as mine.

Yours faithfully Simon Carswell.

P.S. Please write back if you can.

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Dear Friends  
I am very sorry  
About the disaster of the space  
suttle. And your teacher Mrs  
Christa Mc Awiffe. I hope you  
will get a lovely teacher. and  
I hope you will be very happy  
with the new teacher. I hope  
you will be very happy at east-er. too  
I will say a prayer for your teacher.

from  
Anthony o callaghan.

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31-1-1968

Dear  
Friends

I am very sorry for what happened to Miss <sup>MC</sup>  
Auliffe. I hope you get an other teacher like Miss <sup>MC</sup> Auliffe  
I was wacthing the News and know all about it. And i  
hope the famaily can manage with out her.

From

morgan

copley

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Dear Friends,

I am so sorry to hear about your lovely teacher. I hope you will get a lovely new teacher to make up for Mrs M<sup>rs</sup> Alisse that was about to venture into the mysterious space. We are thinking of you and how you feel about this whole thing. We have written this note for you and Mrs M<sup>rs</sup> Alisse's family. I am sure you will get a lovely new teacher as nice as Mrs M<sup>rs</sup>

Aubbie

yours faithfully

Susan Rossney

P.s. I hope you are not feeling too sad

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Dear Friends  
I am very sorry  
what happened to your teacher Christa  
Ms. Pudge. I wish get another  
teacher like Christa Ms. Pudge

Tony Slattery

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31-1-1985

Dear Friends

I am very sorry about your teacher  
Mrs Christa Mc Auliffe and we are very sorry.  
She would have been the first teacher in spore

We all saw it in Ireland and all over the world.  
I hope you get a kind and lovely teacher like  
your other one. She died for her country.

Julie o'  
Keefe  
from 4<sup>th</sup> class

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Dear friend's

I am very sorry, of your teacher's death.  
She would have been the 1<sup>st</sup> teacher in space  
I hope you get a teacher as nice as Mrs.  
McAuliff

from Gerard  
Moloney

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Dear friends

I am sorry about your teachers  
death in the Shuttle. I hope you get a teacher  
as good as her. I will say a prayer for her family. I  
saw the disaster on the News. I hope NASA go on with  
thier project. I couldn't believe the disaster when I saw it.

From  
Tony O' Shea

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Dear friends

I am very sorry for what happened  
to Mrs Mc Auliffe from all our  
school in Limerick Dooradoyle.  
We are very sorry hope you  
all are well and good from

Shane  
Kelly

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Dear friends

I am very sorry  
that your very much loved teacher  
Mrs McAuliffe died in such an awful  
way. But we shall remember her  
for being so brave. And I know  
that you are very proud of her as  
we are too. And I hope that  
her death won't sadden you too  
much

yours sincerely

Brian Leahy from

4th class primary school in Ireland

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry about  
the dreadful accident. I hope you get  
another nice teacher like Mrs Christa Mc  
Auliffe. We are all very proud of your  
teacher going into space and because she  
was the first teacher in space. She was a  
very lucky teacher to get the trip into  
space but a pity it did not come  
out well

Best wishes  
Karen Murphy

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry about  
what happened to your teacher  
Mrs M<sup>c</sup> Christa Pailisse. I hope that you  
get a good teacher like Mrs M<sup>c</sup> -  
Christa M<sup>c</sup> Pailisse

By sor now

from Robert O'Connell

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Dear Friends,

I am very sorry about what  
happened to your teacher. I hope you get a  
nice teacher like her. I was reading all  
about it in the newspaper and watching  
it on television. I hope it does not happen  
again.

from

Kim

mc

Henna

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31-1-1985

Dear friend  
I am Very Sorry  
for what happened to your  
School teacher Mrs A'Wiffe. I  
know you will get a nice  
teacher. She was a very brave woman.

from  
Paul Rose

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry for what  
happened to Miss Mc Auliffe. I hope  
you will get a nice teacher to replace  
her. I was watching on the news when  
the space shuttle blew up. I would  
say she was very nice to you. I  
hope you aren't very sad. My mother  
was nearly crying when she heard it.

from Niall Bennis  
st  
pauls  
school

P.S

Hope you  
write  
back

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Dear friends

We feel sorry for you because  
of your teacher, Mrs <sup>mc</sup> Auliffe.

We saw the shuttle that she was in  
on T.V. She must have been a lovely  
teacher to ye. I hope ye get another  
lovely teacher like Mrs <sup>mc</sup> Auliffe.

We will remember to pray for her.

Bye for now  
love

Sean Hannon.

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Dear Friends

I am sure you were very proud of your teacher when she was picked from the million's of teachers in America. And I am sharing your sorrow at this very moment.

But I am sure that you will get a new teacher who will be just as nice as your last one.

Please write to me soon and tell me what your new teacher is like.

Your's

Sincerely

Robert Mangan.

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31-1-1983

Dear Friends

I am sorry about what happened  
in the Challenger. And what happened to  
Mrs Ms Auliffe. And we are praying for you and  
Mrs Ms Auliffe's family. I am happy that your  
teacher was picked out of all America. And  
was the first teacher in space.

yours

sincerely

Michelle O'Connell

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry about  
what happened to your teacher  
I hope you will get a lovely teacher  
like Mrs Mc Auliffe. I saw what  
happened on the nine o'clock  
news. I am very happy that <sup>she</sup> was picked  
and the first teacher in space  
I think she was a lovely  
teacher. I hope you'll do well  
with your new teacher

your

Sincerely

Ann

Wallace

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31-1-1986

Dear Friends

I am very sorry for what happened to Mrs M<sup>rs</sup> Awliffe. I hope it never happens again. I'd say she was very nice. I suppose you are very proud of her. So are we. I hope you have a nice teacher now. Tell her family that I am very sorry.

Your

Sincerely

Toamne Doyle

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry for what happened. You should be proud of your teacher Mrs Mc Auliffe. We watched it on T.V. and I hope ye get over it. And I hope you get a new teacher that is nice like Mrs M<sup>c</sup> Auliffe.

bye for now

from

Barry Fitzgerald

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Dear Friends,  
I am very sorry about the space-  
shuttle disaster. I hope your new teacher will  
be nice. I was watching it on the news  
and I (and I) read about it on the news-  
paper. I hope the disaster will not happen  
again and that this letter will cheer you  
up.

From

Dermot Lyne.

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Dear Friends

3/1/86

I am very sorry  
about the space ship but most of all  
your teacher Mrs Christa Mc Auliffe  
I dont really want to mention this  
but I wanted all of you to know  
how sorry I am I know you  
were all very anxious  
to hear the good news she was  
going to bring you back I am very  
sorry  
yours Sincerely Declan Nash

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Dear friends

I am very sorry for your misfortune  
I hope you get another smashing teacher like  
Christa McAuliffe. I am sure you were proud of  
of your <sup>teacher</sup>. So I hope your next teacher  
will not have so much misfortune.  
All the best Brian

Conell

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Dear Friends.

I am very sorry about your teacher.  
And I know myself that you were very proud  
of her being up in space teaching you. I am  
very proud myself. We saw it all on television.  
I am sharing your sorrow. And I am sad  
about it.

yours sincerely

Sarah - Jane Ryan.

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Dear Friends

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I am very sorry about the  
terrible accident. We all saw on the news and we  
hope that you will get another nice teacher like Mrs  
Mc Auliffe. All the class feel sorry for you and  
we hope that you will feel better soon.

Best wishes from  
Fiona O'Brien

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Dear Friends  
I am very sorry for what happened  
to your teacher. I hope you will get over  
it soon. You should be proud of your  
teacher. We want you to forget what  
happened.

I am very sorry

David  
Moriarty

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Dear friends  
I am very sorry  
about teacher. I will be sure  
that you will get a nice good  
teacher like, Christa Mc-Awiffe

By for now  
From Anthony Murphy.

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Dear friends,

I am very sorry about your teacher,  
Christa Mc Auliffe and I hope ye get a nice teacher  
like her and all our class will pray for her. It  
would have been great for ye if she went to space.

From.

Nuala O'Shea.

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Dear Friends

I am very sorry for your  
Teacher and proud of her. She was the first  
teacher to go up in space. I saw it on the  
News and after 72 seconds it blew  
up. I am sure you are very sorry for your  
teacher and I hope you get another nice  
teacher. I am feeling sorry for all that was  
on board and I would think you are  
too. I am sure she will go to heaven.

From Tommy Jordan



Father,  
help us  
to celebrate  
the mystery  
of  
redemption  
and win  
its reward.

Holy Mass

will be offered for

the intentions of

Pupils and Staff of  
Concord High.

with good wishes from

4<sup>th</sup> Class St. Paul's

REDEMPTORIST FATHERS

MT. ST. ALPHONSUS,

LIMERICK

Celebrant. Redemptorist Fathers  
Mt. St. Alphonsus.  
Limerick.

# FOOTPRINTS

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the **LORD**. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the **LORD**. →

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. →

This really bothered him and he questioned the **LORD** about it. "**LORD**, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me." →

The **LORD** replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

IRELAND



Christa M<sup>e</sup> Auliffe's Class,  
Concord High School,  
Concord  
New Hampshire

U. S. A.