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DEAR FATHER CHRISTMAS

I am sure you will be as happy and proud as I am this year about all the wonderful things that the children, families ,staff and governors at Riverside have achieved. Did you hear we were awarded Most Inspirational Primary School? I know you will have heard about how we have all tried our very best to follow our core values: be kind, be safe and be a great learner. The children try to follow these every day not just at Christmas. They are five stars!

This year it has been really hard for some of us as we all really missed being together in school because that's when we are at our best - one big happy family. Even though it was difficult, we did our best to keep working hard and thinking about other people like our friends at Leighton Court. Some of us went to see them this week and we were so happy that we could sing to them this year even though it was outside. Father Christmas, you should have seen how happy the children made the residents feel. The joy was beaming out of their faces! The rest of the school also brought Christmas cheer this week when they performed to their families – we had our beautiful nativities and an outdoor carol service. We had to follow all our safety rules and, Father Christmas, all the parents were so understanding and just delighted to be able to join us in our celebrations and so please remember to put them on your nice list too for their support for the children and the staff – they have really made a very difficult year a lot easier. I have included some lovely photos of us enjoying our Christmas fun below...







So Father Christmas, I am very excited to see what is in store for us all next year. We promise we will do our best to follow the rules and keep everyone safe. I know you would like to send a special wish with me to anyone who is poorly at the moment. Don't worry Father Christmas – we will make sure we send them some treats. Thank you also for telling your friends about our fantastic children – we have been lucky to receive lots of treats from kind people (they know who they are !)

Well, it's almost time to wave good bye for the end of term – I believe the Mayor is popping in soon. I have to say Father Christmas I feel like the luckiest headteacher in the land – amazing children, supportive parents and staff who have worked their socks off to bring the magic of Christmas to everyone. The heart of Mrs Grinchy Lahive is truly full!

All I ask for Father Christmas, is that our whole Riverside family have a happy, healthy Christmas and that we can all return to school on the Wednesday 5th January and that if any of our families need any help over the Christmas holidays, they will let us know via and we'll do our best to help.

Thank you for listening Father Christmas and good luck with your next few busy days

Very best wishes

MRS GRINCHY LAHIVE XXXX