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## **Annual Letter**

Dear Aunty & Uncle,

How are you all? I am fine. We are having rain. I searched for facts about your country. I like to collect pictures of different countries.

We had our 2<sup>nd</sup> term test, I studied hard for the exam. I obtained the highest marks for Sinhala and the lowest for Maths. My favorite subject is Science, although I got less marks. I am studying at home. Hope to get better marks a the 3<sup>rd</sup> term exam. We are on school vacation, schools will reopen on 2<sup>nd</sup> February. We had the 2<sup>nd</sup> term test before the holidays. I am the 7<sup>th</sup> in the class. If I had studied harder I would have got a better rank. When school reopens we will have our 3<sup>rd</sup> term test. It is on the 5<sup>th</sup> of February. I am studying hard to get better marks and a better position. I return from school at 1.30 pm. I study for one hour from 03.30 to 04.3 to pm. I go to school by van, my school is P/Kanda Thoduwa Maha Vidyalaya. I'm a prefect. I have many friends in school. Our school had organized many programs for Christmas.

Many persons from different organizations came to our school, a group named 'We are Human' came to our school, they gave us many presents. They not only gave us presents but also to our school, they gifted a computer, sports items, and cash too. They enjoyed the day with us. They performed a magic show too. It was such an entertaining program. We liked it very much.

Wish you a Merry Christmas. I mother, father and my younger brother made a crib. The crib is very attractive. We practiced Carlos to be sung at the Christmas Mass. Many people said that we sang well on that day. Sunday school had also organized a Christmas celebration. We participated in the carols and dances. It rained that day, yet we had a celebration.

The students of our school got a 2 days Leadership Training it was organized by the "Lama Mithuru Surakiya Piyasa" (*Child, friendly safe space*). We met new friends after going for that program. We enjoyed the 2 days. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day we had a bonfire, a drama presentation. It was all so nice. We had different team activities. It was fun and we happily participated. We left sad to leave when the 2 days came to an end. There were many participating in the workshop. They were all very good. From our school some children and teachers participated.

From our school we participated in the Educational tour. We went in 3 buses. We went to Dambulla and Sigiriya. We climbed the Sigiriya Rock. when you look from the top it is so picturesque. Some

placed were covered with mist. We left tired when we climbed up. There were foreigners too climbing with us. Those 2 days we were very happy.

We have come to the year 2024, wish you a happy new year. We are having rain these days; our houses and roads are under water. It is so difficult here.

"Lama Mithuru Surakiya Piyasa" (Child, friendly safe space) programs gave us books. They are so valuable to us. I will be using them for the new term. Thank you for the books and everything that you have done for us.

God bless you,

Yours loving,

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