**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Adem**:

How are you?

My name is Yangming Hu, a normal high school student. I am 16 years old right now. Thanks to your help, I can finish my study this semester.

It’s only a week till final exam. I am trying my best to prepare for it. Hopefully I can get good grade through my hard working, which makes both you and myself happy.

I like playing basketball besides studying. Whenever I have time or during breaks, I play basketball and relax a little bit. When I am tired, I just sit on the ground and look at the sky, and any unhappy matters just go away.

I am a really optimistic person. I won’t think about those unhappy things too much. I love to make more friends and share my achievement with others. Besides that, I am really confident and never stop moving forward. Because I know that my dream is just a little ahead of me, as long as I don’t give it up, I will succeed in the end.

At last, I just want to tell you that I am really happy now and please don’t worry about me. My goal is really clear: study hard and use knowledge to change my life. Be a person that can contribute to the society.

Hope you have a happily life. Keep health and be happy!

Best regards,

Hu, Yangming

2010-01-24

Teachers’ Comment:

You are a hard working student. Your academic performance has been improved continuously. You love to help others and get along with others very well. You are a responsible and careful person, and are praised by all the teachers. You are willing to dig down on the materials that you are studying and ask questions whenever you have difficulty doing homework yourself. You have a goal and have self-discipline.

Hope you can manage your life better. Be more aware of your personal cleanliness. Be more patient on things and become a more knowledgeable person.

**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bixby:**

The new year comes, and I wish everything goes really well with you. My name is Cheng (last), Fang, whom you supported.

I was extremely excited when I learned that I could write to you. I am so grateful to you and have so much to tell you that I hesitate where to start.

I am not good at expressing my gratitude with beautiful words; I only want to say, from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU! I am very grateful to you for the constant support you give me and my whole family is very grateful to you, too.

Sometimes I would think, what my life would be if without your help. Maybe I have already discontinued my school. However, I am a lucky girl: it is you who give me the chance to continue to study in school, and it is you who give my family the chance to live. Indeed, THANK YOU!

I am receiving the financial support every year from you. It is these scholarships that cover my tuition and support me in school!

I am not a smart girl, but I will cherish this rare opportunity of studying in school. I know your expectation, so I will study with great effort. In the future, I will pass down your selfless love to others, trying my best to make our world full of love.

Best Wishes to you and your family!

Sincerely yours,

Cheng, Fang

Feb 7, 2010

**Dear Nicolaas,**

Hello! You’ve been sponsoring me and I really appreciate your friendly help.

Although my report card hasn’t improved a lot after your sponsorship, I’ve been working hard. I didn’t like English in the past, but now I like it and my English skill has been improving. I am not an A student, but I will definitely study hard so to contribute the society in the future. I really want to spread love everywhere, like what you’ve done.

My family has three members, mom, my sister, and me. My sister is studying in the city, so very often only mom and I are at home. Dad has passed away, so mom always has to work from morning until 10pm. I usually do part of the housework to reduce mom’s workload. Our life is hard, but I feel warm whenever I think of who cares about me. I believe that life would become better as long as I keep working hard.

Last but not least, I thank you again for your kindness and love. I hope peace and happiness are full of your home.

Xiang, Ming

2010-2-1

Comment from the teacher master:

You are smart and word very hard. In class, you know the answer but rarely raise your hand to answer questions. In class, you are very nice but rarely express yourself open. When cleaning class room and school, you simply work hard and never complain. He likes math and is always excellent in exams. You could be much happier if you are willing to open up yourself.

Happy Chinese New Year and Happy Winter Break!

**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Adem:**

How are you?

Time flies. It’s been half a year and it’s time for final. Although my 9th grade study is tough, I will try my best to get a good grade to repay you. Chinese New Year is almost here. Hope you have a great year.

It’s been six or seven years since we know each other. Even though we just met once, I never forget you (she confused somehow between you and me. Sorry about that. She was very young when I met her in 2004). I thought I was an unlucky person. But I change my mind after meeting with you. You encourage me and give me love, which makes me move forward from those heartbreaking things. Thank you so much. Not only you give me some financial support, but also support my spirit. Thanks everybody like you in this world. You are such a responsible and nice person.

No matter what my future is, rich or poor, I will keep my promise. Please also continue your love to help others like me. Thousands of words can’t explain my thanks. Anyways, tons of thanks to you!

Hope you doing well in everything.

Yours,

Cheng, Qian

(Jan. 18, 2010)

**Dear Madeline and Rebecca**,

It is the time when beautiful snowflakes are falling down and the New Year bell is going to ring. When looking back at the past year, I feel grateful and secure. With your cordial help, the path I walked on had full of flowers and the fragrance. Because of you, I felt the love without borders. Your help reduced the burden of my family and I could devote to study. I set up the goal to do my best and in the future help the society as you have done.

In the past year, the financial condition of my family got better. However, my grandparents were getting older. I started getting less dependent and helping my family. In the future, I will be more considerate and thoughtful to make the family more harmonic.

On study, I was doing well and will continue doing my best. I will try my best to study and digest knowledge. I believe as long as I work hard, I will not regret. The result is less important (comparing to the process).

Besides the study in class, I also took part in many after class activities. My friends and I drew pictures, did scientific experiments and took part in sports and essay competitions. They encouraged and helped me when we were doing those. I am thankful to them because they made my life more colorful and exciting.

That was my status last year. I know though I still need to get improved in many places, I will do my best!

Thanks a lot for your help and sharing the experiment of me from the last year.

Wish you have a happy new year and good luck on every thing you do!

Best wishes,

Lin Lin

02/04/2010

**Dear Vicky,**

Hello, I am Hao Liu and you are sponsoring me. I really appreciate your help.

I am in Grade 7 and study is harder than before. Recently, there is some conflict in my family. Things are tough these days. My dad cannot work because of the heart disease. So, mom works hard and is always tired.

Mom always tells me to study hard and I do so, because I really want to be able take care of my parents later and I don’t want to let you down. Your support means a lot me and my family, and helps me stay in school to study. I am not extremely good academically, but I definitely work hard.

Finally, I thank you again because your help means a lot to me. I hope you will do great on academic work and have a lot of friends.

Liu, Hao

2010-1-25

**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Adem:**

How are you?

I am really happy to write to you. In the past year, my family condition got better through your help. I want to say thanks to you for my family and myself.

My academic performance has improved during last year. There is an old saying: ”no pain no gain.” I believe that through my hard working, I will realize my goal. Success belongs to the preserving. As I grow up, I know my goal better and I feel more grateful for what I get. I will work harder to fight for my goal. Actually, studying is not tough. Nothing is tougher than the person who exerts her day and night for me. Pleasure comes through toil. Only if I study harder, I will get a better result in the future. Life is meaningful when you have a goal. My goal is to get into high school. No matter how tough it is, I am willing to devote myself.

At the same time, I hope you are doing well and hope your dream comes true too.

Yours,

Jia Ren

2010-01-20

**Dear Mr. and Mrs. Adem:**

I am the one who transferred to a well-known school in Ningguo city because of your help. I am now in 9th grade. As Chinese New Year coming, this semester is ending soon. I am writing this thank you letter to you because I never forget that it’s your support that helps me finish my junior high school. In order to thank your support, I am going to introduce my family a little bit:

I have a grandfather and a hardworking mother. My mother is trying her best to keep my family function. Whenever I look at my mother, I want to contribute myself to the family too. So during my school year, I rent a little room near the school and try to learn how to take care of myself and relieve my mother’s burden. I went home often to help my grandfather and mother too. In school, my teacher and classmates help me a lot and I am fighting for my goal. I improved in every subject this semester. I hope that I can meet you some time in the future.

Even though there is a long distance between us, but I can feel your love every seconds. I want to say happy New Year to you for my family, and hope you have a great year!

Yours,

Kai-Qian Pan

**Dear Mr. and Mr. Adem**:

Chinese New Year is coming. First of all, I want to say happy New Year to you. Hope you have a healthy and happy year.

When I was 11 years old, my dad passed away because of disease. This gave my poor family an extra burden. My dad used to support the whole family. It deeply hurt my mother ad me. But my mom was more worried about my tuition. Your help was like the sunshine for my family, which gives my mom and me see the hope.

Now I am 17 years old, I have grown up and become a mature high school student. I will never forget your support and I won’t let my spirits droop. From the time you help me, I decide to live up to the expectation of you and other kind persons. This will become a motivation for me on my road ahead. Even though we don’t know each other, even though there is a long distance between us, and even though we’ve never met, I want to say thank you from the deep of my heart. You give me love, opportunity and even another life. You give me chance to go to school and enjoy the happiness of studying like other kids in my age. I always image your faces, you must be the most beautiful people in the world.

I get along with people well and obey the discipline. Even though my grade is not the top of the class, I love studying. Even the high school study is tough and tiring, but nothing can stop my road ahead. My dream is to go to college and become somebody that can contribute to the society, like you. I will keep working and fight for my dream.

Yours,

Yuting Yang

2010-01-29

Teacher’s Comment:

Although you don’t talk too much, I think you have a great potential. I am proud of you. I want to tell you that you have a beaming smile. Open your heart and talk to others more. Share your happiness to everyone!

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bixby:

First of all, Happy New Year!

How time flies! It is now 2010. Looking back on 2009, everything still seems so pleasant.

Now I am in 11th grade. There is pressure of study everyday, which is also the power that encourages me to advance. In China, the period of senior middle school is the deciding time for one’s life. Once you grasp it, you will have a bright future. It is also the crucial time for one’s growing, when one’s personalities are gradually formed. Being grateful is one of these merits.

I have been of science major ever since grade 11, which means that there is more school work in do. While it is competitive everywhere, I can’t imagine happiness in the future without my effort today. Fortunately, I am in the best high school locally, with excellent atmosphere of study, very good teachers and complete facilities. There is nothing I can complain as far as school is concerned. I believe, with my effort today, I will have a bright future!

I lived a fairly good life in 2009. I think everyone feels the advance of the country with its quick development. My hometown is a relatively developed place, with its increasing industrialization. As a result, there is nothing to worry on everyday life. And we are deeply moved by your selfless help! So I am working even harder, so is my family.

Now I have many good friends. While getting along with them, I am growing up too, both physically and mentally. I have learned how to treat others cordially, and understood the sincere friendship between us. They give me the feeling of love, the one with trust. I have also learned from them that I should be grateful to those who helped me, because it is simply a return. I can’t imagine one can have any achievement without being grateful. Being grateful to the society, to the country and to everyone who helped me is what I should do. I will be 18 years old after this Chinese New Year, and I will be a grown-up. All of the sudden, I have the feeling of responsibility, and I realize that not only I live for a better life for myself, but also for other people and even for the whole society. ‘Being grateful to the society, being grateful to the country and being grateful to everyone’, I will keep this deep in my heart!

Best wishes to you and your family!

Jiahui Yu

Jan 25, 2010.

**Dear Mrs Wilson,**

Hello, Mrs Wilson! I am Xueliang, Zheng, a third year student from the Jialu Central Primary School at Ningguo City. Thank you very much for caring about me all through this semester, your warm heart and generous support motivated me a lot. I will work harder and harder, never betray your expectations on me! I value your support.

Sincerely yours

Xueliang, Zheng

**Dear Mrs Wilson,**

How are you?

First, I want to express my good wishes for you: wish you a happy new year, a health physical body and wish you good fortune.

I am Lin, Zhu, 13 years old, who is now a student at the seventh grade at Xianxia Junior High School. My father died of severe liver cancer at the age of 28 on Feb. 6, 2000. The medical treatment of my father's disease has left to my family a large amount of debt ( about 20,000 yuan). After my father's death, I began to live with my old and sick grandparents since my mother left this family immediately. Life is quite hard for my grandparents since on the one hand they were in great psychic trauma, and on the other hand, they could hardly even offer enough food for this family. All those burdens made study a remote dream for me.

After you know my situation, you rendered me kind help which provided me an opportunity to go to school just like other children; and your second help has already supported me to become a junior high school student.

Aunt Wilson, I will obey the school rules, respect the teachers, unite classmates and be willing to help others. I will also listen to the lectures carefully, study hard and do not let my questions on class flee to the second day. I would try my best to be a good student and be a useful person to this society in the future, to repay your great help and kindness for me.

Best wishes

Yours Sincerely

Lin, Zhu(who will always remember you!)