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Dear

What a rollercoaster the last year and months have been! You had to adjust to a completely new way of living, to home schooling and to everyday life being very different to what you were used to. You did all this brilliantly and on top of that, you even managed to support the children living with you through their highs and lows. For that I want to thank you.

I have worked in foster care for many years now – in fact I've probably been working in fostering for far more years than you've even been alive! – and I have consistently been extremely impressed by the dedication that young people like you show in helping other children.

You are an incredibly valuable member of your fostering household and without you fostering couldn't be as successful as it is. I have heard directly from children who have been in foster care just how much of a positive difference you make to their lives day in and day out.

I know it's not always easy to open your home and your heart, sharing your life and adjusting to a new family member living with you. But what you do is so important and we here at The Fostering Network all admire and respect you.

Tonight over 65,000 children right across the UK will be living with a fostering family, and thousands of foster siblings will make them feel more at home, safer, happier and more loved. All your efforts are changing the world and I just want you know that.

Thank you for everything that you are doing.

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Chief Executive of The Fostering Network

