



My dear friend,

I was so happy to receive your letter! I love that you and other children look forward to Christmas as much as Mrs. Claus, the elves, the reindeer and I do. It's the most wonderful time of the year.


Would you like to know what we have been doing at the North Pole? Everyone here is as busy as a waddle of penguins searching for their next meal!



We always make time to have fun together. We play soccer and we race outside in the snow. Of course hockey is the most popular sport here – and Mrs. Claus, who is an engineer, has built a very special ice rink behind the workshop! It's made of frozen yogurt of all different colours, so it's smooth and slippery and as bright as a rainbow! And, it seems to have a bouncy quality to it that ensures no one who falls on it gets hurt! Isn't that awesome?



Sugarplum Mary has been helping out a lot this year with the baking. Did you know that she makes 2,000 dozen cookies every day for the elves to enjoy? This year, my favourite is chocolate chip oatmeal cookies. They are best when they're warm from the oven, and the milk is cold from the fridge. I smell some fresh ones now – I think I will test one or two just to be sure they're good enough for the elves.



Before I go, Mrs. Claus and I wish you a very happy year ahead. On Christmas Eve, I plan to sprinkle joy all over your neighbourhood – watch for that feeling on Christmas morning!



Love, *Santa*





TO ANY ONE WHO
MAILS A "TO SANTA"
LETTER IN
CANADA.

