

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM SANTA

Dear boys and girls,

I've heard that some of you might be a little worried that I won't be able to visit this year because of the COVID virus. I wanted to let you know that there is no need to worry - I have been taking lots of care, had all the right tests, and the good news is that every country has confirmed that I can go ahead. I'm all set, Mrs Claus has made me a lots of masks and Buddy the Elf has fitted my sleigh with hand sanitiser that even works on my gloves!

Some things have been different in 2020. The Reindeer don't seem to have noticed and they are all fit and well - we all know that Rudolph's red nose has nothing to do with the virus! But we've had to make some changes in the workshop - we can't have as many elves working at once and it is difficult to get some of the things we need to make the toys. Although we are working very hard, it does mean we may not have every toy ready for Christmas.

If you don't get everything you wished for, please don't think that you're on the naughty list. I know that you've been trying extra hard and it's been tough. Sometimes, if there's a problem at the North Pole, mums and dads might step in and buy a few gifts to help us out, but lots of people have not got as much money as usual, and we can't ask them to do that this time.

So although I can promise everyone WILL get presents, if it isn't exactly what you asked for I hope you'll understand. And if your brothers, sisters, family and friends get a little less than usual, please try to be kind as I know they will be disappointed. We need the Christmas spirit more than ever, - why not spread some Christmas cheer by sharing this message? Please stay safe, keep up the good work and I'll see you on Christmas Eve (all you good boys and girls will be asleep, won't you? So you won't see me!).

With lots of love, and plenty of cheer

Santa x