



Holly, holly hello...

Sneezes galore, we have been so busy the last few days I haven't had time for anything other than making sure the sleigh is all packed and checking the map one last time with Rudolph. But, I couldn't head off on our journey without making sure all my mail had been read...

Your letter was on the top of the last mailbag. I don't think there is enough time to get these last few reply letters delivered in the mail, so I'm going to take them with me and leave them on breakfast tables, in Christmas trees or maybe in stockings!

I was so happy to read your letter. It made me smile my biggest smile this week! You know, it wasn't that long ago that you were too young to write to me. HO, HO, HO! You're growing up very fast. I cannot believe all the new things you have been doing. Santa likes to try new things too!

This year I created quite a stir in the village when I showed up in a green Santa suit with gold boots. It shocked everyone, especially Mrs. Claus. I thought it was a good idea, but I was the only one. My elves said people know me for my red suit and might mistake me as the happiest of leprechauns. Mrs. Claus playfully called me "Greenie." Even Elf Jingles, who loves fashion, wanted me to wear red again. HO, HO, HO! I guess that means everyone likes me just as I am.

I like you just how you are!

My break is almost over, and I must get back to the workshop. We still have a lot of last-minute tasks to attend to.

Have a wonderful 2018 and don't forget to write again next year. I will sprinkle magical North Pole snow over your home on Christmas Eve. It will bring you and your family a special New Year filled with fun, laughter and memories! Merry Christmas!

Love you loads...

*Santa*