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Dear Supporter

2020 - A Year of Challenge and Opportunity

You don't need us to tell you what a difficult year 2020 has been. The Covid 19 pandemic has affected communities across the world, including our community here at SuperTroop.

We remained hopeful for as long as possible that the 2020 holiday at Fettes would still be able to take place but we had to make the difficult but inevitable decision to cancel the holiday this year. This was devastating for everyone involved in SuperTroop and we were keenly aware that at a time when young people and their families needed us most, we weren't able to be there for them.

To help our families, we produced a short film explaining why we couldn't see our holiday makers this year. You can view the film on our website www.supertroop.org and YouTube channel. The film uses Signalong to make it more accessible for our holiday makers. We also sent our families lots of ideas for outdoor and indoor activities they could enjoy at home to make lockdown as fun and interactive as possible.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who continued to support us financially during this time and to those who have pledged to roll over funding for the 2020 holiday to 2021. Your continued support enables us to plan for the future and ensure that the next SuperTroop holiday is better than ever. We hope the pin badge included here will be a token of our gratitude and help you spread the word about SuperTroop.

Despite the difficulties of this year, we have used the time to consolidate and plan for the future. Our Holiday Director and Development Manager have been working hard to strengthen and develop existing structures of governance and management to ensure SuperTroop is in a position to expand our holiday provision from 2022.

Over the past six months we have been growing our volunteer base and welcomed dynamic new faces with expertise in social media engagement, financial management, press and PR.

2020 has afforded us some breathing space to take in all that we have achieved so far. We absolutely couldn't have done it without your loyal support. On the back of this letter we've suggested some ways that you can help us through what we know will be difficult times ahead. Thank you so much for championing SuperTroop.

Your sincerely

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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT SUPERTROOP



Donate to us via Justgiving https://www.justgiving.com/super-troop

Buy a ticket for The SuperTroop Snowflake Spectacular – our Christmas Talent Show! The show will be broadcast online at 6pm on Friday 18th December with tickets costing just £5.00. To be part of the audience and support us from the comfort of your own home, you can purchase tickets here:

https://supertroopsnowflakespectacular.eventbrite.co.uk

The SuperTroop Snowflake Spectacular is also looking for talented performers! Why not join our holiday makers and volunteers by showcasing your own special talent? For more information on how to enter please check out our website at https://www.supertroop.org/news

Why not support SuperTroop in your workplace? You could nominate us as your Charity of the Year, or organise a socially distant fundraiser such as a zoom guiz, or a virtual marathon. Your employer may even match whatever you raise!

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