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Dear Blue Peter,

My name is Jack – from year 6 at Ettington School – and I am writing to inform you about the dreadful water scarcity issues that exist around the world in hope that you help to save young and old people. Did you know 80% of diseases in the developing world are water related because of little sanitation? We could work together to save this world. Would you do your bit to help?

As a result of learning about water scarcity, we empathised with some people in some parts of the world who have to travel 3km to gather water let alone carry it back. When we tried it out, it was a cool day and our backs still ached when we carried water around the field. Imagine us carrying it in 100 Fahrenheit, it would be tiring.

Living a life without water is dangerous because it is so important that people have access to water. Water scarcity exists because of a shortage of rain because of the hot climate and often because of the war where infrastructure is destroyed. How dare people waste water! We have learned to take showers instead of baths and this will save 50 litres, use a bucket and sponge to clean the car not a hose (then you will save an outstanding 448 litres). So please can you do a programme about this?

Some people in Ethiopia only use 10 litres of water per day, per person and compare this to North America, where people use 55 litres on average per day per person! It is not fair that different people across the world have different types of water access. We have access to nice clean water, but some people (who live in some developing counties) do not have access to water at all, or it is dirty water. IS IT FAIR?!

As a result of this water scarcity, every 15 seconds a child dies from a water related diseases and we want you to help charities like Water Aid.

I hope this letter has travelled to your heart, I will look forward for your response.

Yours sincerely,

Jack