Dear Students of 2nd Grade of the 20th Junior High School, Patras & Mrs Dimitropoulou,

Good Morning.

It was wonderful to receive a message from you.

It is early Monday morning and your classes must have just begun.

Presently our Ship is in Gladstone, Australia.  We have anchored off

the port and we will go alongside berth on the 25th of October.

Our ship is a "Panamax" bulk carrier which can load up to 79,000 MT

of cargo.  We have 25 persons on board, including Officers and Crew.

They are of three nationalities, Philippines, Ukrainian and Indian.

Here in Gladstone the Ship will be loading about 78,000 MT of Coking Coal

in bulk for discharge in Taichung Port in Taiwan.  The loading at this port is

very fast and it will take about 20 hours to load this cargo.

Coking coal is used in the manufacture of steel. As you must be aware,

Taiwan is an industrial nation, most famous for manufacturing computer

chips and other electronic gadgets.

Hoping to hear from you again.

Enjoy your day and have a great week ahead.

Thanks & Best Regards

Capt. Rajiv Talwar  
Master of MV Skopelos I