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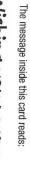
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Wishing you a very happy 1st Birthday







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For a special girl who's



Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday!!

Auntic

Cathy ***

B uncle simon **

Happy Birthday from Uncle Daviel

Have a wonderful

1st birthday

All my love

X X

Wishing you a very

happy 1st Birthday

have a wonder full time.

Tots of Love

Grandpa God

To mum and dad

We are sending this back not to be nasty or spiteful but we feel it would be wrong and two faced to accept your money when you have had nothing to do with pippa since she was a week old. Pippa does not want or need your money, instead she would of wanted a nan and grandad, but through no one else's fault but your own you made this impossible.

From the beginning when we told you about the pregnancy you made your feelings clear. When Vicky was pregnant you made no effort to be involved, and any conversation we ever had soon ended and pippa wasn't really ever spoken about. At the baby shower you never said hello to Vicky which everybody that was there including me noticed and thought it was disgusting and rude.

We are defiantly not materialistic people but I don't understand how you thought it was ok to buy charity baby clothes that had bobbles on from being washed over and over and tumbled dried and also had stains all over was ok?? We would of rather you just made an effort to be involved in our time of happiness than buying us anything, but giving us charity is an insult. we are not that poor that we can't afford to buy our baby new clothes of her own from a proper shop. By the way we chucked them in the bin. Then when Vicky had pippa I couldn't wait for you all to meet her, but even that was an effort for you. You knew we came home on the Saturday but you never even bothered to come and meet pippa till the Sunday. I don't even think you realise how that made me feel that you couldn't even make the effort to meet your own granddaughter. My daughter. Then when you did finally come round you all walked in with your shoes and coats still on looking like you were ready to leave within 5 minutes and just stood in the middle of the room. The first time you met your granddaughter and you only stayed 30 minutes if that. If all that wasn't showing you were not bothered then your actions over the following week defiantly did. No one then showed up till the Friday nearly a whole week later again shoes and coats still on and standing in the middle of the room ready to leave and you had only just walked in the door. Vickys cousin then asked you (mum) if you wanted a cuddle as she was holding pippa at the time and you responded with "Errr no" how do you think this made me and Vicky feel you saying errr to our week old baby. Apparently you had a cold or something which I highly doubt you didn't look unwell and if you was that unwell that you couldn't hold her what was you doing coming round? If you was that unwell you shouldn't of even come round. Although that still doesn't excuse you from using the term Err how dare you!! A comment was also passed about pippa not ever having her eyes open when you came round. How could you even make this comment you had been round twice and both times maybe only added up to about 40 minutes if that, you have no right to say that. And so what, she was a week old baby with jaundice if you'd even bothered to pay attention, and that's what they do sleep. Every comment you made was just one spiteful comment after another. Then while Vicky was in hospital very ill you all decided to make more spiteful comments around a dinner table which by the way we know what was said as one of kims friends was sitting at a table by you. How dare you say that Vicky wasn't as ill as we were all making her out to be! And then Simon saying that he doesn't think Vicky's family like you. I would like to know how you even got that impression as they have been nothing but nice to you. You must realise how spiteful you have been to even consider that. The thought guilty conscience comes to mind. And also saying that we could bring pippa round to you was a disgusting comment. Vicky had just had a baby and was sore, pippa was a newborn baby and you expected us to come to you? Im not sure how you could even consider this. I didn't want this letter to sound rude im simply just telling you everything that has happened as no one is at blame but yourselfs but you must of noticed walking into vickys home how they live compared to your home. I would not bring my newborn baby into a home like yours. It would defiantly not be sanitary for a baby. Take that comment how you like.

And apart from a disgusting house (It would take too long to list everything to explain exactly what is disgusting) but nowhere did I read that it was our job as parents to force you to spend time with her by bringing her to you. As the grandparents you have to make the effort. I don't understand how you expected me to take pippa and vicky to your house when she had only just been born. What would even have happened? we bring her to you so you can look at her for 5 minutes then carry on having rubbish conversations and forget she was there.

I decided that enough was enough and that is why I made the decision to separate myself and my new family from you. Pippa doesn't need family that does nothing but makes no effort and when they do can't even make a nice comment. She needs to grow up in a loving environment and know that she is wanted and loved by everyone around her.

Pippa is now one and there has been no effort to even make an attempt to patch things up. Not that anything can be done now too much time has passed. I believe that you think you have done no wrong which is why I decided to write you this letter, just to pinpoint some of the things that has led to this point. You can now stop braming others for your own actions.

You made no effort to send a Christmas card so it surprised me when a birthday card came from you to pippa. Putting <u>uncle</u> Daniel on the card was just a further insult we don't even know who he is and he has nothing to do with her. Just because he is Cathy's partner does not give him a automatic right to use the term uncle. Especially when we don't know him. Infact all titles grandad, nan, aunt, uncle have to be earnt by putting in effort, time and love. Just because you are these things by blood does not make a child like or love you. You have to earn a childs love and I realised a long time ago that even if I didn't pull away I don't think you would of still made the effort to be a proper family to pippa and she proberly still wouldn't know you just as well as she doesn't now. I don't even know how you can write on the card that you love her and say that she is a special girl because you don't even know her or know what she is like, they are just empty words.

In that first week there was nothing stopping any of you just popping in when you wanted. Mum you could have come round on your own to spend time with pippa. We did our best in letting you all know you were welcome whenever. We did all we could it's just a shame that you didn't want to be involved in my family and my happiness.

From Ben and Vicky