
Subject: Re: New Beginnings

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New Year's Eve on Tracy Island - part 2

The sounds of the party were muted as Dominic pushed the door to Joshua's room closed. Cassie had arrived and the celebrations were now in full swing. Dom touched the party hat he was now wearing and smiled gently. He had left Jenny to her own devices in the kitchen -- for the duration of the party it has become HER kitchen, and he wasn't going to fight it.

He crossed the small room and sat down on the edge of Joshua's brand new bed. The child had been absolutely delighted when, as part of his birthday surprise, Dominic had redecorated the child's room and bought him his first ever 'big-boy' bed. Dom reached out to brush some of Joshua's lengthening hair out of his eyes and smiled wider. He was going to have to ask Lisa to sort it out.

Dom reached up and pulled at the back of his own long mop. He hadn't had a haircut in quite some time, and now it was long enough to sit on his shoulders. Joshua mumbled something incoherent and clenched one hand. Dominic shook his head. I can't believe my little boy is three already! The time's gone by so fast... He remembered the look of absolute delight on Josh's face as he unwrapped his Christmas present: his first ever tricycle, bright blue and shining in the sunlight. Riding it was a challenge at first, but it wasn't long before the child was zooming around the apartment with ease -- and knocking things over. Note to self: further child-proof living room, Dom thought.

Dom stood and smoothed the covers down, before turning to leave. He couldn't help but feel a pang as he rejoined the small group in the living room and became very aware that someone was missing. Someone who it turned out Dom cared for much more than he thought was possible. Happy New Year, Luke, he thought, before dropping down onto the sofa and reaching for his soda.