Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Samaritan`s Purse Operation Christmas Child

Our Mini Vinnies are once again supporting the Samaritan`s Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal this year. Their aim is to include items to delight the child who receives the shoebox, as well as receiving essential items such as toiletries. Our Mini Vinnies will co-ordinate the collection of these items and then pack them into gender/age appropriate boxes ready for dispatch to the Samaritan`s Purse.

We are asking for your support with donations of the following small items which will fit into the boxes to support this appeal;

Hats
Hair bobbles and clips
Toothbrushes
Crayons
Pens
Pencils
Toy cars
Small musical intruments
Yo-yos
Skipping ropes
Small colouring books
Gloves
Small toiletries

Following the link below will provide information and guidance on appropriate items;

https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/

Please note: We cannot include **toothpaste, sweets, lotions and liquids;** used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds, gum, chocolate or food items; religious or political literature; medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

We would love to fill as many boxes as possible. Please could items be brought into school no later than Thursday 9th November to allow time for packing.

If you would prefer for your child/family to fill a shoebox of their own, you are still more than welcome to do so. Please use a medium size shoebox which should be wrapped in Christmas paper.

Thank you for your support for this worthwhile cause.
Mrs Catalano
RE Lead

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