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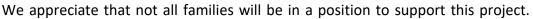
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Dear Parents and Carers,

As in previous years, we will once again be supporting the Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child' project. This project seeks to make a difference to the lives of less fortunate children across the globe who are unfortunately experiencing poverty and hardship. The aim of the project is to spread joy and happiness at Christmas time through gifting children shoeboxes filled with essential items, small gifts and treats.

Please look out for a leaflet which will be coming home today in your child's book bag. This leaflet provides suggestions of items you may like to include, for example school supplies, personal care items and small toys. Please note that a donation of £5.00 is also required to cover the shipping cost and should be included within the shoebox.



However, if you would like to contribute, then the deadline for completed shoeboxes <u>is Friday 15th</u> <u>November 2024.</u> Due to limited storage in school, we ask that the children do not bring in any shoe boxes before Monday 11th November 2024. Alternatively, if you are not able to fill a shoebox, but would like to make a contribution towards one – please just send in the items with your child and we will collate together to form completed shoeboxes.

We are looking forward to supporting this worthy charity and teaching the children about our school value of 'Love' through the act of kindness. Should you have any further questions about this project, please visit: https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child or speak to myself and I will be happy to assist you.

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

Kind regards,

Miss Roberts



