

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

A leaflet will be coming home with your child in the next few days about "Operation Christmas Child". The school once again would like to support this worthwhile charity and the leaflet contains all the relevant information.

Children can bring in shoeboxes until from **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Friday 8th November**, when they will then be transported to their final destination. ***Please note all shoeboxes should have the relevant label to identify who the box is for.***

The school will make a donation to cover the cost of transportation again so parents do not have to include the suggested payment.

I hope as many families will be able to support this worthwhile cause.

Below is an example of "What Goes in My Shoebox?"

# What Goes in My Shoebox?



## "WOW" ITEM

- Include a toy that a child will immediately love as soon as they open the box.
- Ideas include: Stuffed animal, deflated football & pump, toy truck, doll (baby, Barbie etc), musical instruments.
- Why not include a personal note or photo of you or your family?

### • Gift Suggestions

- **Toys** - Include items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls or stuffed toys (with CE label), toy trucks, harmonica, yo-yo, skipping rope, ball, small puzzles etc.
- **School Supplies** - Pens, pencils & sharpeners, crayons or felt pens, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads or notebooks & paper, solar calculators, colouring & picture books etc.
- **Hygiene Items**- Toothbrush, bars of wrapped soap, comb or hairbrush, flannel.
- **Due to more stringent import regulations, toothpaste can no longer be included in shoeboxes.**
- **Other Items** - Hat, cap, gloves or scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery set, wind up torch, slinky spring, matchbox cars.
- **Due to more stringent import regulations, sweets can no longer be included in shoeboxes.**
- **Do Not Include**
- Used or damaged items; clothing other than as listed above; war related items such as toy guns, play soldiers or knives; chocolate, sweets or other food items; seeds; aerosols; toothpaste, lotions or liquids of any type including bubbles; medicines; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; playing cards of the 4-suit variety; anything of a political, racial or religious nature; sharp objects; glass containers or fragile items; books with mainly words. ***Items packed from this list will be removed from shoeboxes.***