



FOTM

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Dear Parents

Operation Christmas Child

I do hope those of you with children in years reception to Year 6 have been told about an assembly last week when they heard about the work of this charity and saw the joy Christmas shoe boxes bring to children who have so little. We very much hope that you and your children will want to prepare a Christmas shoe box of your own and choose some gifts together, knowing it will be given to some of the world's most needy children.

For most of these children it will be the first Christmas present they have ever received and will be treasured for years to come. Your children have been given a leaflet to bring home explaining the sort of little presents that are suitable. With the Olympics fast approaching, sporty items would also be most welcome. The leaflet also includes the sticker to put on the front of the box showing the sex and age of the child for which the present has been designed. Please do not forget to include the £2.50 donation to cover transport costs overseas. There is an envelope within the leaflet for this.

You are welcome to bring in your filled shoe box any time - you need to deliver it to the lobby outside the main school hall where they will form an ever increasing mountain (we hope!). If you don't have any empty shoe boxes at home, we have spare ones for you to collect, again from the main school hall lobby. The **last date for bringing a shoe box in is Friday 4 November**. We will also be holding a FOTM coffee morning on that Friday from 8.30am in the dining hall after which all the boxes will be transported to the warehouse.

With many thanks in anticipation of your support

FOTM Committee