

Shoebox Appeal 2017

September 2017

Dear Parent

We are delighted to announce that in association with Andover Rotary Club, Test Valley School are once again taking part in the Shoebox Appeal to help support disadvantaged children in a number of countries including Albania, Montenegro, Moldova and Romania.

Please see below for information on how pupils can create and fill a shoebox, making sure the correct size box is used and the items included are suitable.

Shoebboxes should be returned to your child's tutor no later than the **18th October** ready for collection. A donation of £1 with each Shoebox is requested to cover the cost of transport. In previous years pupils and staff have been very generous making up shoeboxes of gifts individually or as groups. These are always appreciated by the children who receive them.

<p>AGE 1 - 3 YEARS (Boy or girl)</p> <p>CONTENTS - choose from:</p> <p>Small soft toy, picture book, hat, gloves, socks, soap, hairbrush, flannel, toothbrush and toothpaste, plus any other suitable small items.</p>	<p>THINGS TO PUT IN YOUR SHOEBOX</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● International Customs require items which must be for education, health and hygiene purposes● All items must be new or in 'as new' condition	<p>HOW TO MAKE UP YOUR SHOEBOX</p>
<p>AGE 4 - 7 YEARS (Boy or girl)</p> <p>CONTENTS - choose from:</p> <p>Educational book and game, simple jigsaw, ball, lego, crayons and colouring book, hat, gloves, scarf, socks, soap, hairbrush, flannel, toothbrush and toothpaste, toy vehicle, small doll, skipping rope.</p>	<p>DO NOT INCLUDE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Battery powered items● War related items, guns, knives● Large items of clothing or shoes● Books of a religious, racial or political nature● Food of any kind● Liquids of any kind● Sweets of any kind● Medicines● Large toys● Sharp items	<p>Please cover your box with wrapping paper, ensuring the lid is separately wrapped for customs' purposes.</p>
<p>AGE 8 - 11 YEARS (Boy or girl)</p> <p>CONTENTS - choose from:</p> <p>Educational book and game, jigsaw, ball, card game, felt tip pens, pencils, pencil case, drawing book, hat, gloves, scarf, socks, wide toothed comb, soap, flannel, toothbrush and toothpaste, sports item, skipping rope, hair accessories.</p>	<p>THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP</p>	
<p>AGE 12 - 15 YEARS (Boy or girl)</p> <p>CONTENTS - choose from:</p> <p>Educational book and game, playing cards, geometry set, pens, pencils and case, pencil sharpener, rubber, writing/drawing book, hat, gloves, scarf, socks, wide toothed comb, soap, flannel, toothbrush and toothpaste, washbag, hair accessories, sports item.</p>		<p>Do not wrap individual items - just place them in your box. Use an elastic band to secure the box. Include a Christmas card and maybe a letter or photo if you wish.</p>
		<p>Stick the reverse side of this panel to the top of your box, ensuring that you have clearly marked the age group and whether it is intended for a boy or girl.</p>
		<p>Please sellotape to the top of the box a donation of £1 towards transportation and administration costs. Any surplus will be used for the benefit of disadvantaged children worldwide.</p>
		<p>WE CANNOT ACCEPT BOXES WHICH ARE LARGER THAN:</p> <p>33 x 20 x 15 centimetres 13 x 8 x 6 inches</p>

Thank you for your support. If you have any queries please contact the school office or your child's tutor.

Yours sincerely

The Year 11 Charity Committee

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