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Dear Parents

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal

We are writing to encourage you to support Operation Christmas Childs Shoebox Appeal once again this year.

Operation Christmas Child is an initiative of Samaritans Purse which is a Christian relief and development organisation helping children in need across Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Each year, hundreds of thousands of shoeboxes are filled with gifts and goodies and sent to children who need them most on some of the toughest parts of the world.

The idea is simple. Shoeboxes are packed and wrapped by you, checked and sent overseas by Samaritans Purse, and handed out to the neediest children by local churches and other Christian partners. The boxes are given out according to need, regardless of background or religious belief.

Your child will be bringing home a leaflet explaining how to wrap and pack your box and giving ideas for gifts to include. You can find out more by visiting www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk.

We would appreciate it is your shoebox could be brought to school by **Friday 11th November.**

Don't miss this opportunity to fill a child's life with joy this Christmas.

With thanks in anticipation of your support.

Operation Christmas Child Coordinators