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Dear Parents/Carers

Operation Christmas Child (A project of Samaritan's Purse)

We would very much like our pupils to take part, once again, in this worthwhile project, details of which are given on the attached leaflet. Shoe boxes can be filled by individual pupils, families or groups of friends. This is a great half-term activity for the children to really make a difference. We have purchased pre-printed sturdy boxes from OCC which will be on sale from the school office at 50p each after half term.

Each shoe box should contain a recommended donation of £5.00 to cover the cost of transport. Please place this inside the envelope on top of your gifts. **DO NOT SELLOTAPE IT TO THE BOX.** Please complete the Gift Aid Form if you are able to because this means the charity can gain an extra £1.25 for each £5.00 donation. We have been asked to encourage you to donate online at samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ as this saves even more money and you will discover the destination of your shoebox. There is an option on the website to build a box online which is a great option if you do not have a lot of time.

Filled boxes should be returned to school by Friday 10th November.

Last year St Joseph's pupils sent over 50 boxes to help children around the world who were less fortunate than themselves. We do hope you will feel able to encourage your children with this project.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wendy D'Arcy
Headteacher