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Dear Parents,

Samaritan's Purse International Relief

We have decided to take part again this year in **Operation Christmas Child** (www.operationchristmas.org.uk) Please find attached the leaflet with details of how to fill the boxes, if you would like to participate. In previous years we have managed to collect 60 boxes! The boxes are stored on the small table in the Entrance Hall and will be collected by Samaritan's Purse during the first week of November. Operation Christmas Child is about more than just shoebox gifts.

As Samaritan's Purse (the charity behind Operation Christmas Child) is a Christian charity, we believe Operation Christmas Child is a great example of faith in action.

It demonstrates Jesus' teaching of how to love our neighbour and just who our neighbour is. It gives children who grow up with relative wealth the chance to be a part of selfless giving to others - irrespective of the creed, colour, religion, sex, ethnicity of either the child giving or the child receiving. This is a powerful message for children.

It is also part of a positive education that promotes true compassion and welcomes diversity. We have been advised that the leaflets are surplus stock which are being used up from 2012 and in fact the voluntary donation on the new leaflets is now £3.00

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss A.E. O'Connor

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