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Dear Parents/Guardians/Staff,

Rotary International Shoebox Appeal for Disadvantaged Children aged 1-15 years in Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Ukraine.

The Shoebox Appeal enables caring individuals, families, schools, churches, businesses, and other organisations to fill shoe boxes with small toys, school supplies, and other gifts for children in need around the world. The shoebox appeal sends a message of hope to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes.

The International shoe box appeal is one Nightingale Primary School feels strongly about and one which reflects our school values. We encourage everyone to take part, no matter how small or large the donation they are able to make. With this in mind, we are writing to ask whether you would like to make a small contribution towards a shoe box. We will be collecting a wide range of items throughout the **week beginning 29th September**. There are a wide range of contents that you can donate, these are outlined in the table below:

Toiletries

Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Flannel
Hairbrush
Comb
Soap

NO LIQUIDS

Stationery

Pens
Pencils
Notebooks
Colouring Books
Rubber
Sharpener

Small Toys

Teddy
Ball
Lego
Skipping Rope
Jigsaw
Card Games
Small Games

Clothes

New Underwear
New Socks
Hat
Gloves
T-Shirts
Colouring books

Donated items should be of good quality, so new or in 'as new' condition, remembering that the recipient will be opening the box in eager anticipation and especially with the toys for the children, quite possibly the first real gifts they have received for a very long time.

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: -

Battery powered items
War related (guns, knives)
Large items of clothing or shoes
Books of a religious or political nature
Food of any kind
Liquids of any kind
Sweets of any kind
Medicines
Large toys
Sharp items



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International Customs require items which must be for education, health and hygiene purposes.

We are asking that if you would like to donate an item(s) please send them into school with your child throughout the week of **29th September**.

A shoebox will be placed in each classroom where the donations can be left.

Please **do not wrap them** (due to customs procedures).

The children will be writing Christmas cards, letters and possibly including a photo to go in each of their class boxes.

Please can all donations be brought into school by **3rd October** giving us time to organise the boxes before collection by the Rotary club.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Burton
Breakfast Club Leader

If you require any further information then you can visit www.rotary1110.org.uk or leave us a message at the office and we will get back to you..

Through our values of Respect, Courage, Compassion and Friendship, we learn to Inspire to Aspire.