

Dear Parents,

As we are unable to take part in our usual Christmas activities this year due to COVID-19 we are replacing them with others! We thought it would be nice to take part in an activity that celebrated our Christian belief of helping others this Christmas. We are therefore going to have a 'Santa's Workshop' afternoon where the children can come in Christmas jumpers, Christmas fancy dress or a Santa hat and pack presents for people in the UK and around the world. We have joined the Shoe Box appeal with Downham Market Rotary Club and hope to bring some festive joy to families who ordinarily may receive nothing at all at Christmas time.

The boxes themselves will stay in school, and we are asking for your help to donate items to help fill the boxes in 'Santa's Workshop'. Attached are some suggestions of items that can be included in the boxes.

Not all boxes are for children, some go to elderly people, some to teenagers and some go to new mothers for newborn babies. Have a look at the sheet and see if there is anything you feel you could donate. The items you donate have to be new and unwrapped and must not include food items or items related to conflict, such as toy guns or children's army toys – this is because the boxes may be sent to countries where there is conflict.

All the donations will be quarantined in the school prior to packing, and then quarantined by Downham Rotary Club before sending out so we have to move quite quickly if we are going to get these out by Christmas. You can donate as much or as little as you like but we are hoping to fill lots of boxes and spread some good cheer at the end of what has been a tough year for many.

The children will be making Christmas cards in school to place inside the boxes to let the recipient know where they are have come from.

We really hope you are able to make a generous donation in the spirit of Christmas. Due to having a quick turnaround can we ask that all donations are in school by Friday 4th December and we will run our Santa's Workshop during the day on Tuesday 8th December. This gives you a little time to collect a few items.

There is also an optional £2 donation towards posting and distributing the boxes – THIS IS OPTIONAL and it is the filling of the boxes that is most important – but if you feel you can offer the £2 then it will be gratefully received.

This will be a fun afternoon of packing presents and getting into the Christmas spirit.

If you have any questions, please speak to a member of staff.
Thank you in advance for your kindness and support.

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