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Dear Parents and carers

This year, Ashfield Junior School are supporting the Rotary Club Shoebox Scheme. This scheme delivers boxes of gifts to needy children in Eastern Europe, including many living in orphanages. For these children, they may be the first real gifts they have had in a very long time.

Gift Suggestions for your shoebox

- cars, trucks etc.
- balls, Jigsaws, games, playing cards
- action figures, wooden/plastic toys
- colouring books, coloured pens/pencil/, crayons
- lego blocks, building blocks
- playdough, plasticine and cutters
- fluffy toys, dolls
- stickers
- writing pads, sketch book
- pencil case, writing pad, writing pencils/pens, sharpener, rubber
- skipping rope, harmonica, yoyo, dominoes
- scarf, mittens/ gloves, hat

A card or hand drawn picture and a photo, with the child's name on the back would also be a lovely thing to include. If you would like to include a £2 coin to help cover the costs of transport from UK to Eastern Europe, that would be most appreciated.

What NOT to include

- Food, sweets, chocolate, drinks
- battery operated toys
- conflict related items
- any liquids

Please could you bring your contributions in to school by Friday 30th November. The children will then make up the boxes (which are provided by the Rotary Club, being a standard size and shape: Length 30.5cm x Width 15cm x Depth 12.5cm). The pupils will also label the boxes (boy/girl and suitable age).

We are very excited to be working with the Rotary Club to help children less fortunate than ourselves. We will be having a special assembly in the next couple of weeks where the President of Workington Rotary Club will come in and talk to the pupils about where their gifts will go.

Thank you so much for your support.

Mrs Frost
Headteacher