



Make a difference this Christmas and give someone the hope they need!



As a HUGE thank you for supporting our appeal...

On **Sunday 18th November**, we will be hosting a thanksgiving tea and celebration. This is for everyone who has so generously made a Christmas shoe box for poor children in Romania. We would love it if you could be there! You'll find out more about what your shoe box really means, whilst enjoying a free afternoon tea as a huge thank you for supporting our appeal. Invite all your family and friends to join us too. This event will take place at **Elim Keynsham Church at 5-7pm** (address below).

Who do I give my shoe box to?

We will be collecting your shoe boxes at Elim Keynsham Church. If you need help transporting your shoe boxes to this location (we will come and collect from schools), then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Contact Us

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Christmas Shoe Box Appeal 2018

Your shoe box could change one child's life this Christmas and give them the hope they need! Don't let this opportunity pass by – give hope to someone this Christmas.

ALL SHOE BOXES MUST BE IN BY SUNDAY 18TH NOVEMBER!



Firstly, all shoe boxes must be wrapped in Christmas paper, wrap the box and the lid separately. Then please label your box with the gender and appropriate age and fill it with age appropriate gifts for that age, such as...

What can go into my Christmas Shoe Box?

Essentials for all ages:

- **£2 or a donation towards travel – Put inside the box, in an envelope marked ‘Donation towards transport of shoe box’.**
- Tooth paste
- Tooth brush
- Flannel/shower scrunchie
- Soap
- Sweets/chocolate
- Gloves
- Hat
- Scarf
- Items of luxury

Suggestions for different age groups

0-3 years old:

- Soft toys
- Picture books
- Rattles
- Baby clothes/shoes

4-7 years old:

- Plastic toys
- Toy cars
- Felt tips, notebook
- Colouring book
- Teddy’s

8-12 years old:

- Bracelet and necklace making kit
- Craft making
- Loom bands
- Scoobies
- Note books
- Pens



13-18 years old:

- Body wash
- Shampoo, conditioner
- Baseball caps
- Jewellery/bracelets (both boys and girls)
- Hair accessories
- Small bags
- Sports items
- Brain teaser puzzles
- Tool kit or screw drivers (Boys)

Adults (parents):

- Brain teaser puzzles
- Baseball caps
- Tool kit or screw driver
- Male bracelet
- Chocolate
- Ladies scarves
- Sewing kit

Please try and pack your Christmas Shoe Boxes as full to the brim. Imagine you were going to be opening the shoe box, what would you love to see inside? You would want it to be packed full of all your favourite goodies. This may be the only gift they will ever receive so make it the BEST one that they will ever receive.



Where are your shoe boxes going?

The Christmas boxes you donate this year will be driven, by lorry, to the city of Oradea in Romania. They will then be distributed by an organization called ‘CASA GRACE’, who help families in need, in the city and the surrounding villages of Oradea. They are a team of social workers who help give families better opportunities for their future. The families they support will never be able to give their children gifts, but that can change with your support. Help put a smile on the parents faces this year, when they know that their children are going to be receiving a gift.

