



The Shoebox Project



The Rotary Club of Boston St Botolph is delighted that Boston West Academy has joined the Shoebox Project for 2021. We are therefore inviting children to take a shoebox home, for families to fill and return and so spread a little happiness to those in need who live in Eastern Europe: Hungary, Ukraine, Moldova and Bulgaria in particular. What you put in the box is your choice but it must be non-perishable and of reasonable quality for babies, young children and teenagers, families and the elderly. More guidance is printed on the box which is provided free with more information as to their possible contents.

The boxes, supplied free by Rotary, have suggestions as to what may be put in them; for babies, young children and teenagers, families and the elderly. The project is managed entirely voluntarily by Rotarians who will transport and deliver the boxes to schools, care homes and individual families. Every box will find a home. However driving trucks across Europe does cost money and we would ask that £2 per box is donated to allay this cost.

It has not been possible to speak to a whole school assembly in-person but Rotarian John Wright will be talking to the children in their classrooms via Zoom, managed by Mr Morley, next Monday afternoon. He will be reminding the children how they and their parents can spread a little happiness at Christmas time to poor and needy families. They will see how desperate life can be and how children can help children. Donating a box of presents not only brings a little happiness to those receiving it, but does the same for the givers.

Boxes may be taken home for filling from next week and should be returned no later than Thursday 21 October, the last day of term. They will then be collected the week beginning 1 November (after half term), ready for their long journey. If you would like your family to join the Shoebox Project please ask your child to tell their teacher who will give them a box or collect a box in-person from the school office yourself.

Thank you for your support.