

## Bitterne Park Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This half term's House Charity Competition will be the Rotary Club Shoebox Appeal.

The Rotary Club collect shoe boxes filled with gifts to forward to the children of these regions to provide them with some happiness at Christmas. Please find attached a leaflet explaining the scheme, which will list the gifts that can be included – toys, clothing, games, books, pens, pencils, etc - but the gifts need not be new as long as they are in good condition.

## <u>Please note there is an important change to the traditional</u> arrangements.

Due to increased difficulty in sourcing empty shoeboxes, we will be provided with boxes from the Rotary Club which will be available for a voluntary donation of £2 each. These boxes will be available from the school office from Wednesday, 21st September.

Before filling your box, please cover the box and lid SEPARATELY with festive paper. When filled, place the lid on the box, secure with a SINGLE ELASTIC BAND ONLY. The



completed shoe box should be returned to the school by Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October at the very latest. The deadline this year is to ensure the boxes are ready for collection by the charity but also to decide the winner of the charity house competition in assembly. The charity also need times to arrange dispatch of the gifts collected to the Eastern European countries prior to Christmas.

Any help you are able to give would be much appreciated. If you have a query or would like further information, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Mrs Montague

**Executive Headteacher** 

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