Harvest Service

Harvest gifts of food will be donated to the Hinckley Food Bank. Please see the list below for suggested donations. Thank you.



Cereal

Beans/spaghetti

Tinned Tomatoes

Tinned Vegetables

Tinned Meat

Tinned Fish

Vegetarian meals

Tinned Fruit

Rice pudding

Custard

Sponge pudding

Instant Hot Chocolate

Squash

Tea bags

Juice (UHT)

Milk (UHT)

Tinned Potatoes

Soup

Instant Mash

Pasta

Rice

Treats

Toiletries

Pet Food

Pasta Sauce

Biscuits



FURTHER INFORMATION

QUALITY CRAFTS: Including a homemade item is a great way to personalise your shoebox gift and send an extra special message of love.

IDEAS FOR QUALITY CRAFTS:

Knitted or crocheted hats, gloves, bags, purses, pencils cases, soft toys or puppets; cross stitched bookmarks; wooden toys; felt play boards; simple games e.g. noughts and crosses or magnetic fishing; friendship bracelets (woven with yarn or embroidery thread); fabric tote bags; handmade jewellery, hair clips or headbands; fabric covered notebooks and handmade cards. For more shoebox craft ideas visit: samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ-quality-crafts.

Please note: any stuffing used needs to be proper toy stuffing and not dried beans or newspaper, etc. Materials must be new or look new and not be worn, marked or damaged. Toys made from recycled wood are fine but crafts which are obviously made from recycled waste items such as bottle tops cannot be sent.





WHY WE PROCESS SHOEBOX GIFTS AND HOW WE PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF YOUR SHOEBOX WHILST PROCESSING IT:

Every year, at processing centres around the UK, teams of trained seasonal volunteers check the contents of each shoebox before it is sent to a child in need. Their aim is to keep each shoebox exactly as it was packed, by you, our generous supporters, while checking each item against a number of important criteria, such as:

- to make sure we comply with customs requirements of the countries we are sending to
- to make sure we respect the cultural and religious contexts of the communities we are sending to
- to ensure that the items packed are in a clean and safe condition for the child who will receive them.

Occasionally, we might need to remove an item that does not match one of these criteria.

Boxes are not split or shared out and if your box does not include anything from the 'do not include' list and ticks all the above, it will be sent just as it was packed.

Where possible, any items that need to be removed are donated to other charities.

Specially sourced filler items are added where a box is low on items or if something had to be removed.



