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Link to Hope: Family and Elderly Shoe Box Appeal:

Following the success of last year's appeal, we have decided to continue to support the Link to Hope shoeboxes, as we liked the fact that these boxes reached different generations. The children have already watched a short film to remind them about the charity's work. Link to Hope is a cause providing poor families in Eastern Europe who are living in terribly hard situations and conditions with a shoe box filled with gifts.



- *The **Family Shoeboxes** of gifts are given to families who often have to make a choice between buying food or fuel at Christmas time – buying presents is just not a priority. Many of these families do not have running water, heating or electricity. Some live in appalling conditions, often living in just one or two rooms, and life for them is a real struggle to survive.*
- *A shoebox for a family means that everyone receives a gift. A scarf or a tape measure for the parents, toys and games for the children as well as stationery and coloured pens. Also toiletries, toothpaste, shampoo and soap to keep everyone clean and free from the germs that make them ill. And of course sweets and chocolates for everyone – a family favourite.*

Please refer to the attached leaflet or the charity's website:

www.linktohope.co.uk for information about the shoebox appeal, and details of what can be included. You could make a box per family or even join forces with a friend or other family to make a box together. Please remember to include £3 to cover the cost of sending your box overseas.

Due to the transport needed to send these boxes far and wide, please bring your box into the school office by Thursday 5th November to give the organisation enough time to deliver them.

Thank you for all of your support!

