

## LOCAL SHOEBOX CHARITY FOR ROMANIA 'boxes of hope' CUMBRIA

Dear Parents

School has been asked to help 'boxes of hope' a South Cumbria initiative which supports vulnerable children and their families in Romania. This will be a shoe box collection and the boxes will be distributed through schools, nurseries, hospitals and orphanages.

We realise that this is a difficult time financially for everyone at the moment but as it ties in with our PSHE and Citizenship curriculum we have decided to take part but limit the shoeboxes and collect for one girl and one boy's box per class. The children from each class will bring small items from home to fill up the two boxes for their class. We are not asking for a box per child.

The sheets explain exactly what 'boxes of hope' is all about and shows photographs. The boxes will contain gifts only not monetary donations. No gift is too small - a pencil, bar of soap, comb, rubber etc. is wonderful because it is the act of giving that counts not the monetary amount.

This project will be discussed with each class and be part of the curriculum - Caring for and Sharing with other children globally. The boxes will be collected from school to go to Romania in November.

As always thank you for your support.

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**A team of our volunteers visits  
Romania to distribute the boxes**

