



St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School

Thursday 10 November 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

As we head into the season of Advent, we are reminded that there are families in the Hedland and the wider community in need of assistance at Christmas time. Each year, St Cecilia's School provides small hampers of non-perishable items to **St Vincent De Paul** to assist these families and hopefully make their Christmas a little more joyful, as well as gift boxes for the **Seafarers** that are in town over the Christmas break. If you know of anyone in need of one of these hampers, please speak to your Parish priest.

Here are some ideas if you unsure of what to buy:

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| *Bags of lollies | *Aftershave/perfume/ perfumed body spray | *Sanitary items | *Fishing hand reels |
| *Christmas treats (e.g. Fruit cake, fruit mince pies) | *Toothbrush and toothpaste | *Multi-vitamins | *Tennis balls |
| *Packets of biscuits | *Comb or brush | *Books or magazines | *Souvenirs |
| *Chewing Gum | *Hair Ties | *Torch | *Wallet |
| *Packets of nuts | *Moisturiser/Hand or Body Lotion | *T-shirt | *Phone card |
| *Shower Cap | *Lip gloss / lip balm | *Socks | *Key ring |
| *Nail clippers | *Sunscreen | *Beanie / hat | *Gift cards |
| *Deodorant | *Face wipes / Baby wipes | *Postcards | *Religious Items |
| *Shaving cream | *Tissues | *Playing cards | *Items for nappy bags (e.g. baby wash, nappy rash cream, nappies, dummies) |
| *Shampoo and Conditioner | | *Stationery (pens, writing pads, envelopes) | |
| *Nail files | | *Travel board games | |

Please **do not include** large food items (e.g. tinned food, bottles of soft drink or juice) or food that will perish (e.g. fresh food, chocolates).

This year, we will also be supporting SAFE's Christmas fundraiser, collecting food (again, non-perishable items only), toys and other miscellaneous items for animals who will be in foster care over the Christmas period. Some suggestions for SAFE include, tinned tuna or sardines in springwater, Purina brand cat food, Dine Creamy Treats, dog & puppy treats for training, cat litter and kitten or puppy milk.

To be able to support these endeavours, we need your help. If you are able to donate any items for any or all of our three fundraiser drives, there will be a large box in the office as well as each classroom having a box/basket to fill, so your child can bring their donations to either location. Additionally, there will be SAFE Hedland blue collection located outside the Year Six classroom for donations to SAFE. We greatly appreciate all donations.

Please note, all items must be new and in sealed packages for health, safety and hygiene reasons.

We would appreciate all donations to be sent to the school by **Wednesday 07 December**.

Thank you for your assistance in all of these ventures. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Mrs Mandy Sheen
Principal

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