

12th November 2021

Christmas Backpacks - Secret Santa ... with a "twist"!



Dear Parents,

The Year 6 students have been learning about our chosen charity, A21 in recent assemblies. This charity was chosen a few years ago and our support to them has been very well received. The charity helps support children and young adults who are victims of trafficking in Thailand.

At this time of year, we encourage Year 6 children to think about how we can help others who may not receive special gifts during our up-coming holiday period. This year, we are asking each family to help us by providing a backpack filled with essential items, gifts and toys for a child currently living with the A21 foundation. More information about this organisation can be found via the link below:

<https://www.a21.org/index.php?site=true>

Each student will soon receive **a label with the age and gender of the child** who will receive the gift. Please help your child fill their backpack with items that are appropriate for a child of that age and gender. If you would like to contribute, please provide a bag with a selection of the gifts listed below inside:

- Hygiene items such as masks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap or small towels
- Clothing such as socks or t-shirts
- School Supplies - anything they may need in school such as pencils, rubbers, colouring pencils
- Toys – soft toys, balls and easy books to read

Below are some examples of suggested backpacks:



DO NOT INCLUDE

- anything that has already been used or damaged
- any war related items such as knives, toy guns etc.
- anything breakable or that needs batteries to work
- any electrical items
- any food or liquids (drinks)

Please also label the backpack with your child's name and class.

Remember to decorate your backpack and leave a Christmas card wishing them 'Happy Christmas'.

Please send your contribution into school by **Friday 3rd December**.

Thank you in advance for bringing a big smile to the face of a child in need!

Many thanks from

The Year 6 Team

