



Clacton County High School

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Dear parent/carer

Holly Court Christmas Appeal

Every year, staff and students at Clacton County High School help to spread some Christmas cheer through our Holly Court Appeal. Holly Court is a local sheltered housing facility and usually students and their parents kindly donate gifts or fill over one hundred shoe boxes for us to deliver to the very grateful residents. The initiative has now been running for ten years and we are always truly amazed at the kindness and generosity of our students and their parents. This year, giving and supporting each other is more important than ever, especially as many people are feeling isolated and anxious. We are very PROUD to be able to help and support our community at this time.

This year, due to the current lockdown, we are having to organise things slightly differently. Shoe boxes will be replaced with tote bags. Please help us fill as many tote bags as possible. Students can still bring suitable items into school, but this year we are also able to accept donations via [Parent Pay](#) and you will find a link on how to do so when you login to your account. We will then fill the tote bags with appropriate items and organise male/female gift bags. Please rest assured we will follow guidance on isolating items for 72 hours before delivery.

If you wish to donate items, possible suggestions:

- Tinned food items/ long date use foods such as pasta and rice (all items must be within use by dates)
- kitchen items
- Box of biscuits/confectionary/chocolate
- Woolly hat/gloves/scarf
- Personal hygiene items e.g soaps/shower gel/shaving creams
- Nail brush/ toothbrush
- Knitting/sewing items
- Gardening accessories/bird feeders
- Scarf/gloves
- Pens/books/puzzle books
- Jigsaws/games
- Other useful items

Yours sincerely

Chris Taylor
Head of School