**Suggestions of what to include in your shoebox which may be shared with family members**

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| **Clothing**  Bandanas  Baseball cap  Drawstring bag  Flip flops  Gloves  Hats  Plain T-shirts  Plastic poncho (in packet)  Scarves  Shoelaces  Socks  Sunglasses  Underwear  Water shoes | **Stationery**  Calculator (solar powered)  Colouring book  Crayons  Fluorescent markers  Glue stick  Notebook  Pencil case  Pencils, colouring pencils and sharpener  Pens  Rubber  Ruler  Safety scissors  Self-inking stamps  Stickers |
| **Toiletries**  Brush  Comb  Dental floss  Emery boards  Flannel  Hand wipes  Lip balm  Nail clippers  Plasters (colourful)  Soap (in plastic container)  Tissues  Toothbrush (in plastic container)  Toothpaste (in plastic bag)  Vaseline  **Feeding**  Chewing gum (remove expiry date)  Hard sweets (remove expiry date)  Melamine cup  Melamine bowl  Melamine plate  Spoon  Toddlers cup (with lid) | **Toys**  Balloons  Bean bags  Board books  Craft kits  Draughts  Dry-wipe board & markers  Etch-a-sketch  Finger puppets  Flash cards  Harmonica, recorder & tambourines  Inflatable balls (especially globes)  Jigsaw puzzle  Lego  Magic putty  Necklace  Teddy bears  Toy binoculars  Tennis balls, bouncy balls & footballs  Skipping rope  Slinky  Yo-Yo  Watch |
| **Ideas for boys**  Compass  Duct tape  Football (with pump)  Fishing kit  LED keychain  Tape measure  Tool kit  Torch (solar powered)  Toy aeroplanes, cars or lorries with big wheels  (smaller wheels get stuck in the dirt) | **Ideas for girls**  Bangles  Dolls  Earrings (clip-on)  Hair clips  Hand mirror (unbreakable)  Ponytail holders  Pots and pans with spatula  Purse  Scrunchies  Sewing kit (travel size) |

Save space by filling a plastic drinking bottle, or tennis ball tube, with stationery and toiletries.

The children are afraid of owls and snakes so please avoid putting these toys in your shoebox.

Any shoebox going abroad is subject to the usual Customs & Excise rules; please don’t include anything of a political, racial or religious nature, aerosol cans, mirrors, glass or breakable items (like snow globes), liquids (bubble bath, bubbles for blowing, liquid soap, perfume or shampoo), any items associated with gambling like 4-suit playing cards, anything sharp like razors or scissors, any war related items like toy guns, knives or soldier figures. Please include only hard sweets and chewing gum. Chocolate will melt!