



Keeping in touch

Sunday 2nd October 2022

This newsletter temporarily replaces the Sunday Bulletin until there is more news to print. The regularity of this publication will depend on me hearing about news or events, so it will not necessarily be produced weekly. Please email or call me with anything you'd like to share, or to advertise or any upcoming events. (Helen Hall)

Samaritan's Purse 'Christmas Child' Shoe Box Project

See below for gift ideas – remember to choose at least one item from each category. Postage is the same as last year - \$10 per box. If you wish to track your box's destination, pay the postage online and print the box label which is barcoded – use this label on your box.

If you prefer not to pack a box, another alternative is to donate a box online for \$30 which includes the postage. Choose from six pre-packed boxes at: www.occdonations.samaritanspursec.org.au or donate towards postage.

Boxes are available in the kitchen foyer or contact Errel on 0423 779 224. Please give cash for boxes (50c) or postage (\$10) to Errel, or Jan Semmens.

Happy Birthday!



October birthdays:

- 2nd – Malcolm McBean
- 10th – Debbie Millardship
- 28th – Valerie Pearce
- 29th – Susan Clarke

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SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

"WOW" ITEM & TOYS

- Soccer ball with pump
- Dolls
- Stuffed animals
- Toy cars
- Skipping ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra sealed batteries)



CLOTHING

- T-Shirt
- Shorts
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes
- Soap



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Colouring and picture books
- Solar calculators

ACCESSORIES

- Sunglasses
- Hair Accessories
- Jewellery and watches
- Flashlights (with extra sealed batteries)



DO NOT INCLUDE

lollies; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; gambling items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans.

For additional gift suggestions and more, visit
OPERATIONCHRISTMASCHILD.ORG.AU

See overleaf . . .

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

This year's ABMT event will be held during our morning tea after the Service on **Sunday 23rd October**. Donations can be made on the day, or online on Carole's fundraising page:

www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/fundraisers/CaroleSimpson

Enquiries to Carole Simpson on 0427 993 795.



Drop-in Centre

The Drop-in Centre is open every Friday from 10am to 2.30pm. Enter via the back door of the church hall (fountain end). All welcome! Drop in for a cuppa and chat, and browse through our many books!

Enquiries to Jan Semmens on 0400 404 901.



(No new notices this week)

Recycling Corner

Use the recycling trolley in the foyer for donations of the following:

- milk bottle tops
- bread bag tags
- bread bags
- tea bag tags
- old biro's
- medication blisters (empty)
- old glasses (spectacles)



Also:

- Used postage stamps – no longer accepted by TLM but continue to donate and Helen will try to send to Sammy Stamp in Parkdale.
- Helen is still collecting mobile phones and chargers (the Zoo's 'Gorilla Doctors' collection), toner/ink cartridges, batteries, small electrical devices.



A great way to recycle plastics that don't belong in the recycle bin is the **REDcycle** bin at Coles or Woolies www.redcycle.net.au.

Examples of some plastics that can be REDcycled are:

biscuit packets, pet food bags, cat litter bags, bubble wrap, ice cream wrappers, bread bags, AusPost and courier satchels, snap-lock bags, squeeze pouches (with lid), cereal box liners, cellophane, chocolate and snack bar wrappers, fresh produce bags, netting bags (for fruit), pasta/rice bags, document sleeves (with white strip removed).

... and MANY, MANY more!!

You can use a larger item above, like a pet food bag or toilet roll wrapper, to hold all the rest. If you'd like a full list, please ask me (Helen H) for a hard or emailed copy.

