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## Reverse Advent Calendar

Dear Parents,

Everyone loves advent calendars in the lead up to Christmas, and here at Chawton School we love hearing all about the children's advent calendars at home. Following the success of the Reverse Advent calendar last year, we would like to do this again.

We are going to be completing a '**Reverse Advent Calendar**' in school this year. One where each day we put things into it, instead of taking something out. These items can then be donated to the Alton food bank in order to help those less fortunate that may be struggling at Christmas time.

We have contacted Alton Food Bank, who are thrilled with the idea and have provided us with a list of key items they would be grateful to receive in time for their Christmas food parcels they make up for families in Alton. They will also be coming into school on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November to talk to children about the food bank and how we can all help.

After we have gathered the suggested items, donated by yourselves, they will be collected by Alton Food Bank on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, and again on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. These items will then be distributed in Christmas boxes to families in Alton and the surrounding areas.

To organise it within school we have assigned a different item to each school day in December (see overleaf) and ask that as a family you choose one or two days (or as many as you feel comfortable!) to bring the specific item in. We will ensure there are boxes in the hall to collect donations. Perhaps you could talk with friends and try to share out the different items so we have a wide range to offer.

We hope that not only will this prove something fun and different for our community to do together: from picking out which goodies to donate as well as teaching our children the importance of helping others and seeing the bigger picture at Christmas. A real chance to see the power of fellowship in action!

All of us here at Chawton CE Primary School thank you for your support with this – we will be making a real difference to the lives of many children, and families, in Alton and the surrounding areas.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Sarah Goldsworthy  
Headteacher

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### Donation Requests:

Day	Date	Donation request
1	Monday 2nd December	tinned ham/salmon
2	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	small selection boxes
3	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Marmite or other yeast extract
4	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	toothbrush
5	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	biscuits (any nice Christmas ones!)
6	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	cereal
7	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas puddings/cakes (small)
8	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	tinned custard
9	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	rice
10	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	wet wipes for babies
11	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	fruit juice – small cartons
12	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	hot chocolate
13	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	shaving foam
14	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	biscuits
15	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	snacks and nibbles

**Thank you!**

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