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Dear families,

Advent Preparations: Christmas Cards and Gifts and *Angels of Hope*

If you recall, in an attempt to be environmentally friendly, rather than sending Christmas cards to everyone, we have displayed one card to all, and have collected donations in lieu of what we would have spent; we have then given this collection to local charities such as Manna House and Sunbeams and last year we collected and adopted a leopard via WWF.

This year, for those families who choose to, rather than giving a monetary donation in lieu of Christmas cards, we thought we could continue with our established links with the Upper Eden Foodbank. The Upper Eden Foodbank supplies food parcels to individuals and families within the Kirkby Stephen, Appleby, Tebay and Shap areas, who find themselves in need of a little help. They were really appreciative of the tinned offerings we donated at Harvest time.

We thought it fitting to consider the children in our local area who need a little help, and maybe a little treat this Christmas. We therefore suggest, (for those who want to take part) that from 01 December, in lieu of Christmas cards, children bring in a selection box (like those featured below) that can be given to children within our local area via The Upper Eden Foodbank.

Similarly, although staff are always very grateful for your generosity, please do not feel that you have to buy us gifts. As an alternative, the donation of a selection box to the foodbank would be equally appreciated.

Kind Regards,

Katie Chappell
Acting Headteacher



Upper Eden Food Bank
'A church led, community fed project'

Angels of Hope

Help us to spread some intergenerational joy between our children and members of St. Michael's Church



**As we begin the season of
Advent leading up to Christmas
we invite you to decorate an
angel and display it in your
window**

**or outside your home
throughout December**

**Let our angels be symbols of
LIGHT AND HOPE
to all who see them
during these difficult times.**

The angel can be any size and of your own design, or you can use the A4 templates on page 3 and 4 of this letter. For further information, please email Janet: wood_watersfarm@hotmail.com





