

## **THE VILLAGERS' STORES**

***"At the heart of our community"***



**NEWSLETTER (9<sup>th</sup> November 2023)**



As many of you are aware, over recent years, the kind villagers of Wootton Courtenay have shown great generosity through donating Christmas presents to Home-Start West Somerset.

One in four children under five in the UK has a difficult start in life, because their families are under pressure. Yet every child deserves the best possible start; to be loved, to play, to learn and to grow in confidence. Home-Start West Somerset provides friendship and practical support to parents with young children in our local community; you can learn more about this amazing charity by visiting their website [here](#)

The Villagers' Stores is delighted to support Home-Start and be the collection point for gifts, please drop off presents with Sarah and Mark by 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023. Further information about this initiative is provided by Clare Pound, Home-Start manager, below.

With many thanks for your continuing support.

***Barbara***

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***On behalf of the Board***

***Wootton Courtenay Villagers' Stores***

Dear Wootton Courtenay residents

**Home-Start West Somerset**

We would be delighted to receive Christmas presents for the children of the families we support again this year.

The families we support mainly range in age from babies to 5 years so it would be great to receive a mix of gifts suitable for these ages, if wrapping please can you indicate whether for a girl or boy or suitable for both together with an age guide so we can match the presents with our families easily.

If you could drop any gifts at the Villagers' stores by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December, that would be really helpful.

Please can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

If you would like more information about the support our charity offers families with young children or if you might be interested in volunteering for us then please contact the office either by phone or email, details on letter heading.

Kind regards.

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Clare Pound