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STUDENTS THINK INSIDE THE BOX FOR CHILDREN'S CHARITY!

Eighty Yeovil College students have taken part in this year's Operation Christmas Child campaign, filling shoe boxes with toys, clothes and gifts for disadvantaged young people in the UK and abroad.



Students from Sue O'Rourke's tutor group, including some of Yeovil College's first AQA Baccalaureate students.

Four first year tutor groups took part in the campaign, enthusiastically filling boxes with a range of toys, educational supplies and hygiene products. Their boxes will be taken to a local collection point before eventually being added to the millions collected and distributed each year by the charity Samaritan's Purse.

In previous years, shoe boxes of goodies have been given to children around the world, in countries including the UK, Hungary, Belarus, Armenia, Mozambique, Romania, Bosnia and Kosovo.

The tutor groups of Mike Paddick, Katie Limmer, Sue O'Rourke and Wendy Jones took part in the collection. Wendy Jones, who also organised the collection, said "This is the first time Yeovil College students have taken part in this campaign and they've all done really well considering they

only had a week to collect their items. I would like to say a big thank-you to

them and to everyone who dedicated their time and effort in making this year's appeal such a great success. In particular, we're also very grateful to Retail Therapy in Ilminster and Clarks shoe shop in Yeovil for giving us so many shoe boxes. We're already looking forward to the 2009 campaign and hoping to get

even more students involved next year!"



Students from Mike Paddick, Katie Limmer and Wendy Jones' tutor groups.



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