

Founded in 2003, Operation Shoebox supports and lifts the morale of our troops deployed outside the USA and away from their families.

While troops receive basic necessities from the U.S. military, Operation Shoebox helps to boost morale with practical tokens of kindness in the form of snacks, personal care items, entertainment, and thank-you notes to men and women stationed around the world.

As part of Catholic Schools Week's theme of "Celebrating our Community", OLSS School will be hosting a Care Package Drive for Operation Shoebox. Each classroom will have a box to collect items for care packages, which will be sent to Operation Shoebox's headquarters in Florida. From there, the items will be put into care packages and shipped out to our troops overseas.

# PLEASE SEND IN DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

#### **CANDY**

- Candy (heat resistant)
- Fruit Breezes (throat drops)
- Twizzlers

#### **DENTAL**

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Floss

## **FOOD & DRINKS** (dry goods)

- Instant Oatmeal packs
- Ramen Noodles
- Protein Bars (Cliff or Balance)
- Granola bars
- Beef jerky
- Girl Scout cookies
- Pop-Tarts
- Gum
- Instant coffee
- Powdered drink mixes
- Sugar packets

## TOILETRIES/HYGIENE

- Baby wipes
- Feminine hygiene products
- Travel size body wash
- Hairbrushes
- O-Tips
- Disposable razors
- Tissues
- Tylenol (individual packets)

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

- Playing cards
- Crossword books
- Sodoku books
- Magazines
- Travel size board games
- Writing paper
- Envelopes
- Pens
- Pencils