

Operation Santa News

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What we do ...

'Tis the season to be jolly, but Christmas is not a happy time for everyone.

Imagine how it would feel to get NOTHING for Christmas, not even a hot meal, or that Santa had forgotten you!

We need YOU to help us spread a little cheer this Christmas to local children, young people and their families across Dudley borough who are in need.

We support LOCAL and all our donations stay in Dudley borough.



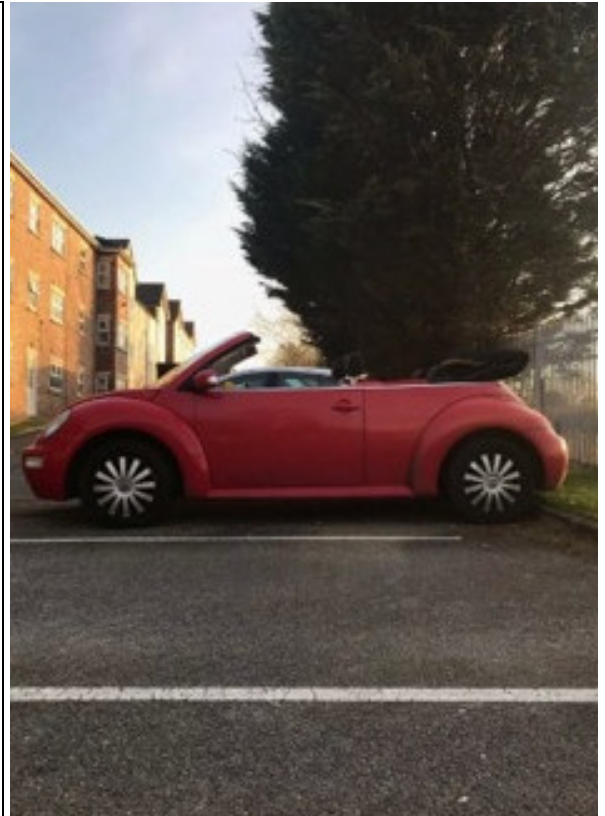
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Win a car for £5! This year's amazing prize draw

The amazing Lee Southerton from Volks Magic in Oldbury who's one of our special business supporters, last year ran a prize draw to raise funds for Operation Santa when his nephew Dale donated a mark1 VW Golf Cabriolet as a prize. They raised over £3000 from the prize draw alone and this year they are doing it again! Lee has just bought the car and will be giving it the Volks Magic treatment, so it will be an amazing prize. This is the before photo ☺

Tickets are just £5 each and you can buy as many as you like. Full info, links to buy tickets and terms/conditions will be available shortly. If you would like to know more, please like our [Operation Santa Facebook](#) page and you will be first to the info so you can purchase tickets.



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Changes to Operation Santa 19

We like to think we have a winning formula for Operation Santa – fantabulous supporters, elves who go the extra mile and lots of goodwill, but this year there will be a few changes. The plan is to make logistics easier, so:

- 🌲 New grotto location on the Waterfront at Merry Hill
- 🌲 Dedicated hotline number for the grotto
- 🌲 Cut-off date for nominations to ensure people plan earlier and no-one gets forgotten
- 🌲 Offering wrapped grotto presents to people who are doing their own Christmas parties
- 🌲 Grotto will close on 20th December 2019

We are also collecting

One in ten girls has been unable to afford sanitary wear, according to new research, while 49% have missed an entire day of school because of their period.

- Draw string sponge bag
- Pack of applicator tampons [various sizes]
- Pack of sanitary towels [various sizes]
- Pair of dark coloured pants [various sizes]
- Pair of black opaque tights [various sizes]
- Panty liners
- Pack of fresh wipes
- Antibacterial hand gel
- Small packs of sweets

Updated wish lists for 2019

Toys and gifts

- 🌲 NEW Books
- 🌲 NEW Games
- 🌲 NEW Toys
- 🌲 NEW Colouring books
- 🌲 NEW Felt-tip pens/ Crayons
- 🌲 NEW Crafty stuff e.g. paints

Clothing 0-18 years

- 🌲 NEW Pyjamas / dressing gowns
- 🌲 NEW Slippers
- 🌲 NEW Pants / socks / vests
- 🌲 NEW Coats
- 🌲 NEW Jumpers / cardigans
- 🌲 NEW Jeans / leggings / trousers
- 🌲 NEW Shoes / boots / trainers

We are also asking for...

- 🌲 Toiletry sets for teens
- 🌲 NEW Fleecy blankets to snuggle under
- 🌲 Wrapping paper

School stuff

- 🌲 NEW School trousers / skirts / jumpers / shirts
- 🌲 NEW School bags
- 🌲 NEW Sports kit bags
- 🌲 NEW Notebooks
- 🌲 NEW School stationery

Sweet Treats

- 🌲 Chocolates
- 🌲 Sweets
- 🌲 Selection Boxes
- 🌲 Boxes of biscuits

NEW items only!

Support for young homeless

There are an increasing number of young homeless across Dudley borough and we want to help. Please can you donate:

- 🌲 NEW fleece blankets
- 🌲 NEW hot water bottles
- 🌲 NEW insulated drink cups with lids
- 🌲 NEW Rucksacks
- 🌲 Individual sachets of hot chocolate / coffee / soup etc

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