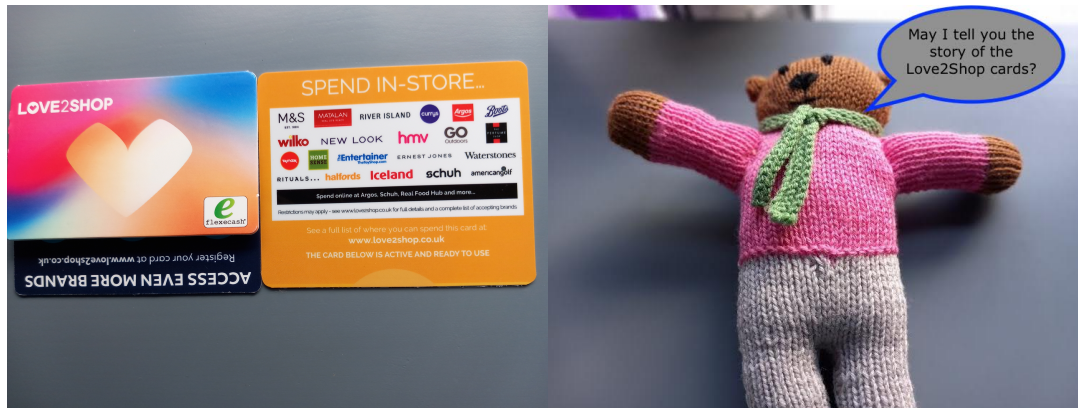


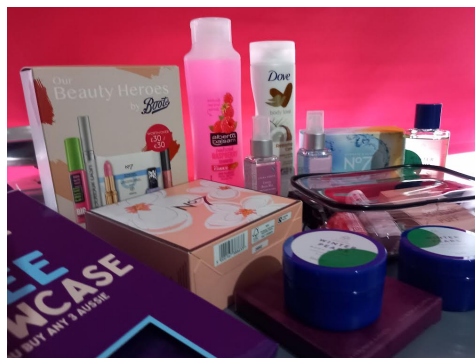
DAVENTRY AREA BABY PROJECT NEWSLETTER MAY 2024

Members of the DABP team have had fun during April, thanks to our supporters and following requests received from our local partners. In this newsletter we share with you the outcomes for the babies we support. Please enjoy them with us.



Here is one teddy with a real story to tell about these LOVE2SHOP cards and a pair of angels in Boots.

It all began when we visited Boots in Daventry to browse special offers and use one of these cards to purchase toiletries for our baby bath starter packs; 6 baths had gone out last month. Then a spontaneous chat began with two of the young shop assistants who happened to be sisters (the angels in Boots) as we told them about our project.



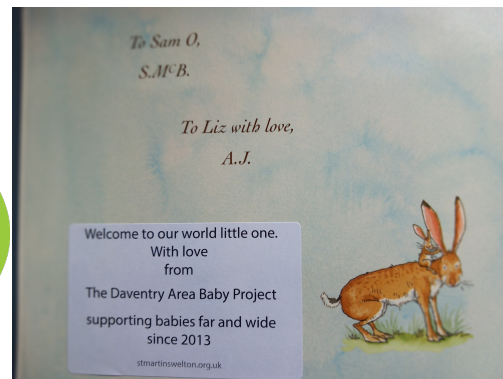
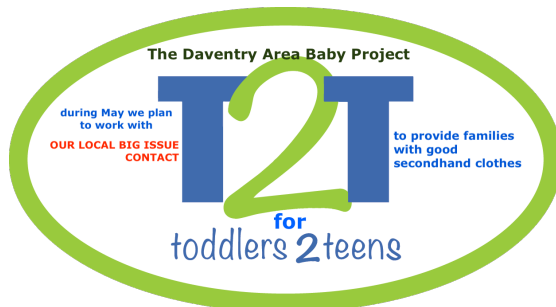
The sisters offered to look in the stock room to see if they had any items for Mums that we could have free. They returned with an assortment of beautiful treats. We gave them details of the link to our baby project page on the St. Martin's website and were encouraged to visit Boots again. WITH THANKS TO THE BOOTS ANGELS.

P.S a second monthly visit was made, recently, to complete our LOVE 2 SHOP transactions and more free items donated.

During April, and with the encouragement of Holly at Big Issue, Abbey from Milk& You, Mandie at the Daventry Methodist Church and Holy Cross Church we has been researching opportunities for good deals in Daventry so we can involve as many of our supporters and partners as possible in this service. As a result of their suggestions we now have greeting Labels made for the bath board books. They read, "Welcome to our world little one from the Daventry Area Baby Project supporting babies far and wide since 2013. " smartinswelton.org.uk. We have also discovered that the Card Factory in Daventry have a lovely selection of soft toys from £3.99 suitable for babies and Tesco's and Aldi have reasonable prices for disposable nappies for 0-6 months.

On your behalf we have donated £100 to the orphanage in Vietnam, as we had promised Abbey .We look forward to seeing pictures from her travels. This was to mark the worldwide joy of Easter celebration with them. It was a means of sharing our mutual love of children across the miles. We were living up

to our logo message “far and wide”.



Welcome labels and a new spring challenge from Big Issue

Holly (Big Issue) has asked for clothing for the Toddlers to Teens age group. **We aim to provide good quality, trendy clothing, freshly laundered, that will bring smiles to the faces older siblings up to the age of 13.** Big Issue families have a wonderful tradition of sharing clothes and items amongst their extended families. Can you please sort these items into girl and boy bags and label them **T 2 T** and deliver them to The Methodist Church. A member of our team will pick them up ready for **our next stock take on May 8th between 12- 2 at 27 Claydon Road NN11 8AZ**



Thank you Daventry Methodist Church and Holy Cross Daventry for your generosity this month.

WEST NORTHANTS MIDWIVES As a result of our stock-take this month we have created a large bag of beautifully made memory blankets for still-born babies, small cot size blankets

and a selection of dainty, cozy, jackets and hats for premature babies.

All of these items will be delivered in May.



BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY WE NOW WE HAVE A REAL BUT ENCOURAGING STORAGE PROBLEM! On the one hand, it is now easier to locate and prepare gifts for distribution very quickly, but on the other, we do not have space to receive larger items. This is because, until now, all donations are being stored in a small private house. **e.g.**

This beautiful high chair, was delivered this month, if you have larger items can you simply let us know and hang on to them until we have checked with our partners to see if we can find them a good home. Thank you

N.B We have decided not to receive opened packets of disposable nappies.

With all this success in mind we are hoping to raise funds in the months to come to ease the storage problem and reinstate get together sessions in various venues where we can create items together in relaxing surroundings because that has been such a

treasured part of our success.



And Finally with that in mind can you help with ideas for storage?

Donations can be made to the **Daventry Area Baby Project** by cheque to 27 Claydon Road Daventry NN11 8AZ

OR online to

Account name: Daventry Area Baby Project Sort Code: 30-99-50 Account number 22798862

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