

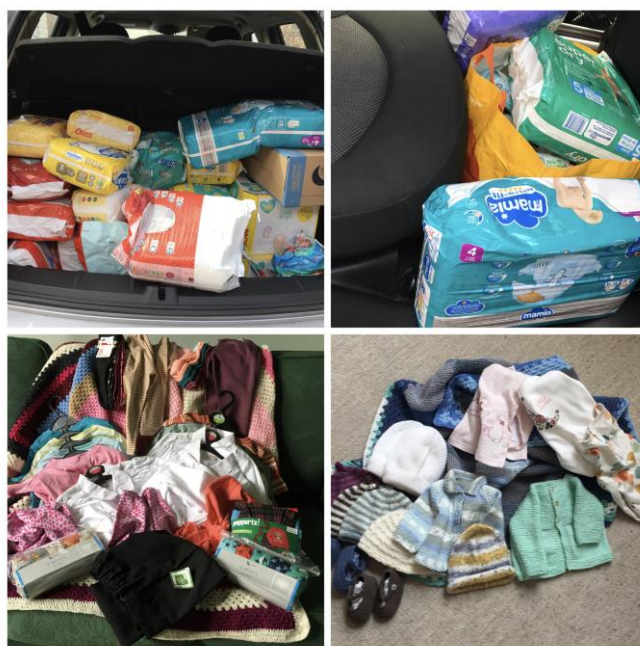
## Working with Children North East

On Friday, September 15th, Hazel Jones-Lee, Linsley de la Hunt and I met with Alex Kirkpatrick, who was recently appointed by Children North East as Coordinator of the Parent and Family Hub at the Cowgate Centre. Over coffee, we had a very productive conversation to make sure we continue our support of CNE in the most effective way, led as always, by their needs. (A revised Wish List will be available soon.) As Alex was there in person, it was also a wonderful opportunity to give her all the donations we had been given following the end of the Uniform Collection - plus a car boot full of surplus items from the People's Kitchen.

There wasn't an opportunity for everything to be placed on the chancel steps to be blessed but they were sent with love from St George's and Alex's smile shows her gratitude.



The top two photos show surplus donations from the People's Kitchen: lots of nappies, formula,



baby food, baby toiletries and sanitary products

All this - and the collection box wasn't even back in church: (We'll count this as Box 10!)

Knitted/crocheted items: 5 blankets, 7 baby hats, 2 pairs of baby shoes, 2 baby jackets, 2 children's cardigans.

Purchased items: 4 packs of nappies, 3 large T shirts, 4 smaller T shirts and 5 tops, 8 pairs of coloured socks, 1 pair of little joggers, 1 pair of boy's school trousers, 4 white girls school shirts, 1 baby grow and a pair of children's Christmas pyjamas. Very many thanks to everyone who contributed so generously.

Most of the knitting in the bottom right photo came in a parcel from Rosie Hampson, a former member of our congregation. The two white baby hats were knitted by her Grandma. They were found by the family after she had died. Rosie's Grandma and Mum used to knit for us from the early days and many of their items went to Kenya. I love that the last things Rosie's Grandma knitted are helping us today to keep on be a blessing to others. Thank you and RIP lovely lady.

Elizabeth Rhodes

*"What you do for the least of my brothers and sisters....."*