

Bringing joy to your street

1. Treasure hunt

Create clues that lead participants around the local area with the aim of reaching the festive-themed treasure at the end.

Resources needed:

A printer for printing out the <u>clues</u> (see number 5 for an outdoor option) A small prize (treasure) for the end of the hunt

2. Doorstep Christmas performance

Invite your neighbours to join you at a set time to stand on your doorsteps and have a Christmas singalong. Remember to check current guidelines to see if this is possible. If not, you could have a doorstep dance-off or lip-sync battle instead!

Resources needed:

Carol sheets and backing music

Additional notes

Why not record your doorstep performances and post them online using the hashtag #SAChristmasJoy

3. Super-secret Santa

Spread surprise joy by dropping off small anonymous gifts on your neighbours' doorsteps. Resources needed:

Gift tag, suitable small gifts, eg chocolate, Christmas decorations etc

4. Prayer walk

As a household, walk around your neighbourhood praying for different people, households, schools, activities etc.

5. Online carol concert invitations

Send Christmas cards to your neighbours with a link to your corps/church online Christmas carol concert. The Royal Albert Hall is hosting their carol concert <u>online</u> this year.

Resources needed: Christmas cards

6. Angel Go

Depending on restrictions and how much preparation time you have, any knitting enthusiasts could have a go at knitting angels, sheep or other Christmassy figures. Get your local businesses involved and store your creations with them. <u>Click here</u> for more details.







7. Mince pie parcels

Bake or buy mince pies and deliver them to your neighbours. Use this as an opportunity/excuse to check in on them and see how things are.

Resources needed:

Mince pies or baking equipment and ingredients to make mince pies.

8. Delivery treats

Doing a lot of online shopping this Christmas? Leave a basket of goodies for your delivery/mail person.

Resources needed:

Basket/hamper, small gifts, eg chocolate bars, canned drinks, trinkets/games, small gift items.

Additional notes

Why not wrap each item with a slip of paper (or $\underline{gift tag}$) that has a joyful message written on it.

9. Joyful picks

Create some tear-off flyers of joyful/hope-filled messages and stick them on your door/window.

Resources needed:

A tear off flyer, see an example <u>here</u>. Additional notes

Be sure to **only** stick these up where you have <u>permission</u> or on your own property.

10. Christmas movie watch party

Watch a Christmas movie with your friends and neighbours online. You can use an online platform like <u>Teleparty</u>.

Resources needed:

Netflix/Disney subscription for anyone who wants to take part, Google Chrome browser.

11. DIY Christmas crackers

Pull a <u>homemade Christmas cracker</u> filled with goodies with a neighbour. As you're making them yourself, you can make them extra long (to comply with social distancing!)

Resources needed:

All equipment can be found <u>here</u>.

12. Online Christmas cooking class

Get your friends and neighbours to take part in an online cooking class. Prices vary depending on the company you use; see an example <u>here</u>.

