The November Pre-Christmas Declutter

Four hours in November so December is not the month everything arrives into a house with no room for it.

> In December you will not do this. There is no version of the first three weeks of December where a decluttering session happens.

THE FOUR HOURS

- [ ] Hour 1: toys, before the new ones arrive. Rubbish without an audience
- [ ] Hour 2: the front two metres. Coats, shoes, hall
- [ ] Hour 3: wherever guests sit or sleep. Clearing, not cleaning
- [ ] Hour 4: kitchen cupboards and fridge. Making space for December food

ONE IN, ONE OUT, IN ADVANCE

- [ ] A box filled per child BEFORE the new toys arrive
- [ ] One coat and one pair of shoes each, out
- [ ] Books, if the shelf is full
- [ ] Anything meant to go since the summer

WHAT GUESTS ACTUALLY NOTICE

- [ ] The hall, and somewhere to put a coat
- [ ] Somewhere to put a glass down
- [ ] The bathroom, and whether the loo roll ran out
- [ ] NOT your cupboards, the top of the fridge, or the skirting boards

THE PACKAGING PLAN

- [ ] Decide now where the recycling goes, put the box there
- [ ] One box for packaging that has to go back
- [ ] Flatten as you go, not at the end
- [ ] A bin bag to hand during present opening

NOTES

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