

**H
I
K
U
T
A
I
A

S
C
H
O
O
L**

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

A survey will come home with your child, please take a moment to give us your views, ideas and opinions. We believe that Hikutaia School is a very good school BUT we would like to do even better! Help us to achieve our vision. Are there things you would like us to keep, change or try? **HAVE YOUR SAY IN OUR SURVEY.**

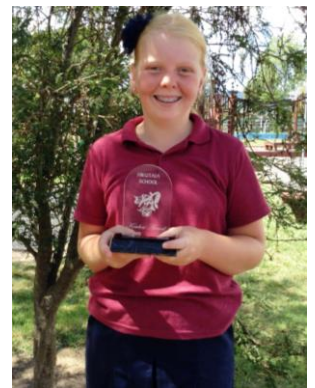
Kowhai Award



As most of you know the supreme weekly award is the 'KOWHAI AWARD' and this award is given to children who demonstrate the school values and strive for excellence. The award is given out at our Friday assembly and the winner's virtues are espoused.

This week's winner was Breanna Iles. Breanna is a confident and outgoing learner. She always has a smile on her face and is positive about her learning. She works well in a group and is enthusiastic. Breanna shows talent and has strength in reading and swimming. She is taking on a leadership role in the classroom this year and enjoys a challenge and learning from her mistakes. Breanna is making great choices in class and is learner focussed, participates and contributes her ideas with the group or class.

Keep up the good work Breanna, we are very proud of you and enjoy having you at Hikutaia School.



Meet the teacher evening

On Wednesday 17th February starting at 5.30pm we will be holding our annual 'Meet the Teacher' evening. This evening is designed for parents to meet their child's teacher, find out what is happening in their child's class, clarify any queries and become familiar with the class routines.

**Rooms 4 & 5 at 5.30pm and Senior Rooms 6pm
5pm - Free Sausage Sizzle and Swim**

(If your child is swimming they need to be supervised please)

Hygiene - Nits and School Sores

With the warm weather and swimming there are lots of bugs around. There have been cases of school sores and nits come to our attention this week. Please encourage your children to have good personal hygiene, keep all sores covered and most importantly washing hands with soap. Please check your child's head for nits and treat before sending to school. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

It's time for Hats

Please help to keep your child sun safe with a school hat. Children must wear these in terms one and four, if they do not have a hat they must play in the shade.

Focus on Reading:

Reading Together Workshops – Monday 22nd February at 6pm

This series of workshops were run very successfully for the past two years and Mrs Cameron will be running them again. If you are interested in learning about how you can support your child at home to read and would like to attend please contact Mrs Cameron.

Join the Community Reading Group

On Monday afternoons Mr Robertson the school Chaplain runs a community reading group, grandparents, parents and older community members are all part of this group that help to encourage a love of reading and support children at Hikutaia School with reading. If you would like to join this group or know someone who would like to please contact Mr Bruce Robertson email: corocharters@xtra.co.nz.

Success with Reading

It is very important that all children have success with reading; children read every day at school and the more opportunities they have to practice the better they become. Each child should be spending 10 – 15 minutes minimum reading each night, juniors out loud at first and seniors either out loud or silently. Here are some ideas to help make reading at home a positive and enjoyable experience for you and your child:

Four 'Ps' to help develop perfect reading:

Pause - Don't jump in too quick, wait after a word has been read incorrectly – give them time to notice it doesn't, look or sound right, or doesn't make sense.

Praise - Be specific, tell them when they have done it right and exactly what they have done right. **Prompt** - Give a clue to help them work it out. e.g. "Try that sentence again", "Miss that word out and try and work it out" "What does it start with?" What will make sense? What looks right and sounds right?"

Practice - Lots of reading with text at a level that is easy, so they can practice all the strategies they know, reading books they have read before.

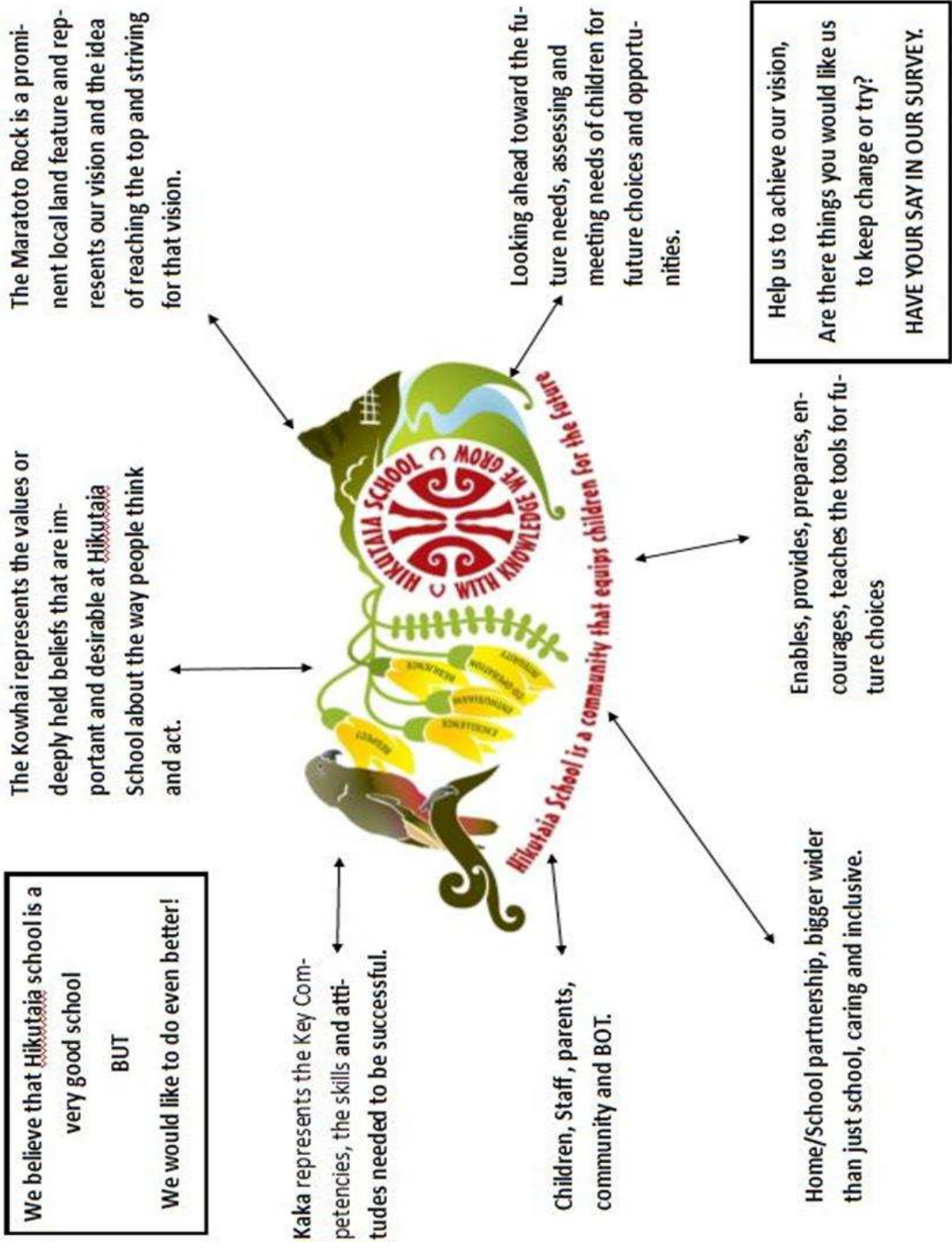
Ideas for reading at home:

Reading aloud - juniors

- ❖ Reading poetry for the practice of the rhythm and flow of reading.
- ❖ Reading poems out loud in unison (together).
- ❖ Read a page each, child reads one page adult reads the next and so on.
- ❖ Reading the talking parts, parts in speech marks, using expression. "How would that person say that?" "Use that sort of voice." Reading plays, take a part or two each.
- ❖ Reading together for a purpose e.g. reading a recipe baking biscuits, reading instructions making something together.
- ❖ Reading to your child to give an example of a good reader.
- ❖ After reading, talk about the story, ask questions to further their understanding of what they have read, relate it to something similar they have experienced or done.
- ❖ Make sure your child has a regular time and place to read, just before bed is a good one or even while you are cooking dinner at the bench in the kitchen.

Silent Reading - seniors

- ❖ Reading silently for meaning. Read the text first then ask the child to read and answer a question about the text. Try this, a paragraph at a time, a question for each paragraph.
- ❖ Retelling, have the child retell the story in their own words after reading.
- ❖ Have the child read a paragraph silently then ask them to "Find the part where..." OR "Find a word that means..."
- ❖ Reading between the lines. Ask questions about things that are not stated but implied in the text e.g. "How do you think they were feeling after that happened?" "What tells you that?"
- ❖ Make statements about the text and the child answers if this was true or false. Make this fun, make it a game.
- ❖ If there are two different points of view in the text have the child take a side and then justify why they have taken that point of view.
- ❖ Make sure your child has a regular time and place to read, just before bed is a good one or even while you are cooking dinner at the bench in the kitchen.



Lost your newsletter, not sure what's for lunch on Friday?

Visit: <http://hikutaia.ultranet.school.nz/Home/> for dates, previous newsletters, photo gallery of events, BOT and policy information, PTA information and events, and class information. Take a tour today.

CLASSROOM ROUNDUP'S

Senior Class: Miss McIntosh, Mrs Robinson & Ms Reynolds.

Welcome to week 3, our first full week.

We are very pleased with the way the year has kicked off with positive attitudes and enthusiasm, keep it up. This week we will be continuing to develop our normal guided reading and maths routines.

We are looking forward to the class meetings on Wednesday evening, please bring your child and their device if attending.

Technology will begin this week and bible 1st March 2016. Please ensure children have covered in shoes for technology. The district nurse will also be visiting for a year 7 information session on Tuesday afternoon.

Could parents of years 6 – 8 please send in their forms regarding fundraising for senior camp ASAP:

Name: _____

I can offer time on a Wednesday to help supervise a group of students in the kitchen.

I can make _____ to be offered on the menu once a term.

I can provide _____ (food) towards the making of _____ once a term.

Room 5: Miss McNeill

Welcome to Week 3

The children will be bringing home their maths whizz password today and the focus for this week's homework is completing 40 minutes on maths whizz at home. Last week the children practised logging on and learnt about the maths whizz programme. Also if you could ensure your child has a blue and a red pen that would be much appreciated. I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday at the parent information evening.

Have a nice week.

Hayley McNeill

Room 4: Mrs Cameron

Week 3

This week on Wednesday is our meet the teacher evening? Room 4 is at 5.30pm.

Math Whizz has started for some of the children in Room 4. They will come home today with their password and will be expected to go on as part of their homework. The cost per child for Math Whizz is 40.00 but we only ask for 10.00 per child, with the school covering the rest.

A reminder that if your child has long hair, could it be tied up.

See you on Wednesday and have a good week.

Kind regards, Tricia Cameron.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

Board of Trustees Next Meeting – Wednesday 24th February, 2016.

On behalf of the Board and Staff of Hikutaia School we would like to welcome you all back to school and hope that you've all had a great holiday.

SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome

We would like to welcome Noah Grimshaw and his grandmother Vicky Aperahama to Hikutaia School. Noah will be joining Mrs. Cameron's class Room 4 today. We hope that you both enjoy your time and association with our school.

P.T.A Meeting – Monday 15th February

Just a reminder that the P.T.A meeting is tonight at the Pioneer Tavern Monday starting at 7.00 p.m. everyone is welcome to attend.

Public Health Nurse Visit – Immunisation

Year 7 Immunisation (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis/Whooping Cough)

In Year 7 students are offered free vaccine against tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough.

In New Zealand, babies and young children are given vaccines to protect them against these diseases. As children get older this protection, wears off so Year 7 students need to boost their protection against these three diseases.

There will be an information presentation for Year 7 students on Tuesday 16th February at 2.00 p.m.

Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend. Students will bring home an Information/Consent Form afterwards, this form needs to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Year 8 Girls HPV Immunisation Programme

There will be an information presentation for Year 8 girls on Tuesday 16th at 2.30 pm.

Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend. This immunisation is now being offered every year as part of the school based immunisation programme.

Students will bring home an Information/Consent Form afterwards, this form needs to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

For further information you can contact your Practice Nurse or Public Health Nurse Wendy King 07 868 0040 ext 25233 or 021 341 845.

Paeroa College Manual Lessons – Year 7 & 8's

This Thursday our Year 7 and 8 students will be attending manual at Paeroa College. ALL children need to be here at school no later than 8.35 a.m. and must wear covered in shoes. In addition to this any manual fees are paid directly to Paeroa College.

Guitar/Ukulele Lessons

Hi every one, for the third year, Steve is offering weekly guitar or ukulele lessons, there are group or individual lessons and a great syllabus that the kids really enjoy - please ring or leave a message on 021 022 72914

Health & Permission form

The health and permission, access form have finally been sent home with everyone last week, either via email or paper form. Thank you to those who have completed and returned to school, however there is still a number outstanding.

It is important that we hold the correct information for all students as well as updated email addresses to ensure that parents are kept informed. Therefore can these forms please returned as soon as possible, and if you need a paper form please let Karen know at the office.

Vision Hearing Technician Visit – Friday 11th March

On Friday 11th March the Vision Hearing Technician will be visiting our school to identify previously undetected hearing and vision defects.

She will catch up screening for children who have not completed hearing and vision checks as part of their B4 school check, and those who were absent from previous visit and or those who require re-tests or follow up and in special circumstances parents, teachers may request a hearing or vision check for new enrolments. The Year 7 Girls & Boys will be checked for distance vision & colour vision (Year 7 boys only).

If you do not wish your child to be seen the technician please let Karen know at the school office as soon as possible.

School Donation, Paper Charge and Maths Whizz

School donation of \$40.00 per child (if paid by the end of this term or \$100.00 for families with 3 or more children currently attending Hikitaia Shool) or \$50.00 from term two onwards, is payable along with the Paper Charge of \$7.00 per child and Maths Whizz \$10.00 each for children Year 2 – Year 8. Thank you to those who have already paid this.

Weetbix Kids Tryathlon

Well done to those who participated in the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon in the week-end. A photo kindly presented to us of those who participated.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Unless otherwise stated all events are held at school)

Monday 15th February

Tuesday 16th February

Wednesday 17th February

Wednesday 24th February

Friday 26th February

Wednesday 2nd March

Friday 4th March

Tuesday 8th March

Thursday 10th March

Friday 11th March

Friday 11th March

Friday 11th March

Tuesday 15th March

Friday 18th March

Monday 21st – Thursday 24th March

Friday 25th March

Monday 28th March

Tuesday 29th March

Wednesday 30th March

Friday 1st April

Friday 8th April

3 Way Conference date yet to be confirmed.

Friday 15th April

Friday 15th April

P.T.A Meeting & AGM

Immunisation Information Year 7 & 8 students–

Public Health Nurse - Wendy King – 2.00 p.m.

Classroom Meetings (times as stated above in newsletter).

BOT Meeting

Assembly – 2.15 p.m.

Hikutaia School Swimming Sports

Ohinemuri Swimming Sports

Thames Valley Swimming Sports

Bike Wise & Wacky Wheels Day

Vision Hearing Technician – 9.00 a.m.(Library)

Hikutaia School Triathlon

Assembly – 2.15 p.m.

Thames Valley Triathlon

Year 1-4 Netball – Have a go Day!

Hockey Big Day Out

Good Friday

Easter Monday – no school

Easter Tuesday – no school

Yr 7 & 8 Immunisations

Assembly – 2.15 p.m.

Portfolio's sent Home

Assembly – 2.15 p.m.

Last Day of Term 1 – 2016 3.00 p.m.

Hikutaia School - Phone 862 4708 or Fax 862 4709

Email: office@hikutaia.school.nz, Absentee Txt Number 027 286 24 70

EGG-CELLENT EGGS

EGG-CELLENT START TO THE DAY!

Eggs are a great breakfast choice

- Poached
- Hard-boiled
- Scrambled
- Frittata

The protein will help you feel fuller for longer.



Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

COMMUNITY NEWS

Music & Movement - for under 5 years of age at the Paeroa Co-operating Church Hall at 10 a.m. resumes Tuesday 9th Feb. Great time of interaction with music for children and caregivers, followed by morning tea. Gold coin donation.

Music Tuition –Tuesday 9th February music tuition resumes at the Paeroa Co-operating Parish, 4 p.m. This term we have a new drum tutor and guitar tutor, also still available are keyboard, clarinet, saxophone lessons. Gold Coin donation.

For further enquires in regards to Music & Movement, Music tuition or Messy Church please contact Cheryl Lasenby, Office Administrator, Paeroa Community Support Trust, PH: 862 6110.

Cheerleading Taster Class for 8-12 Year Olds.

On Friday 26th February at 3.30 p.m. at the Matatoki School Hall – cheerleading taster class only for 8-12 year olds. Cost is \$5.00.

Sheryl Krissansen is an internationally recognised IDTA cheerleading instructor and dance teacher of 40 years. Her classes are fun, effective and are designed to build skill upon skill. To register your child email aliasf@xtra.co.nz or call 027 448 7967 for more info.

The Incredible Years – Parents, Teachers & Children Training Series

Free Parenting Programme (for parents of 3-8 year olds) 14 weekly sessions held in Paeroa, starting Thursday 24th March 2016 from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. morning tea provided.

To register or for further information please contact CAPS Hauraki Inc. Thames 07 868 8644 or reception@capshauraki.co.nz or Ministry of Education Thames Centre 07 867 9520 or ann.luxton@educaton.govt.nz

2016 Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge

Entries are now open for the 2016 Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge. There has been a huge amount of interest from Schools and parents already which is very exciting! Event Promotions is very excited to be bringing the Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge back to 6 incredible venues around the North Island.

Giving primary and intermediate aged children the change to get covered head to toe in mud and push themselves outside of their comfort zone in a safe and controlled environment with their classroom friends.

Dates and Venues for 2016

Palmerston North – Friday 27th May

Hamilton – Thursday 9th and Friday 10th June (limit of 1000 entries per day)

Auckland – Wednesday 29th June

Hawke's Bay – Monday 1st August

Wellington – Thursday 4th August

Rotorua – Friday 19th August

Parents Enter Children Online Themselves

You can get the parents to enter their child online themselves. There is a question section where they must put in their school name and tick a box to say if the Teacher or themselves are picking up the race bag on the day of the event. As long as they put in your full school name and tick the box to say Teacher will collect the race bag then I will be able to link you all together and have everything waiting for you on the day of the event.

- If you are entering one person or a small group of people you can either go online and enter with credit card. [Click here to enter online.](#)

Entry Form

[Click here](#) to download an entry form to fill in. You can then either post it back to us along with cheque or proof of payment or you can email it to aimee@eventpromotions.co.nz along with proof of payment.

Cost

The cost for the Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge is \$20 if paid a minimum of two weeks before the event. This price will go up to \$25 within the last two weeks of each event date. There will be a \$10 admin fee for all refunds processed per person.

Entry Types

Ankle Biter: School Years 3-4 - 1.5km one lap course

Little Nippers: School Years 5-6 - 3km one lap course

Big Rascals: School Years 7-8 - 3km one lap course

Cure Kids

Cure Kids is excited to once again be the official charity of the 2016 Junior Tough Guy & Gal series!

Put simply: we fund the cures; they find the cures.

Last year, Tough Guy & Gal participants raised almost \$40,000. This year, we're aiming for \$50,000 – but we need your help!

Fundraising - chance to get a free Cure Kids t-shirt!

The best way to support Cure Kids is by asking people to sponsor you. You can use the sponsorship form to collect donations, and every child who raises over \$100 will get an awesome Cure Kids t-shirt and a certificate. Just print the form, ask your friends and family for support, and then hand in the money you have raised (and your form) on the day of your event to get your t-shirt.

[Click here](#) to download the fundraising. Raise over \$100 and receive an awesome Cure Kids t-shirt and certificate.

Sausage Sizzle

We are also excited to be working alongside the Rapid Relief Team (RRT) again this year. They are holding sausage sizzles at all of the Junior Tough Guy & Gal events, with all of the money raised going to Cure Kids. Keep an eye out for them at your event, and buy a sausage (or three!!) to support Cure Kids.

The Event Promotions Team

Murray, Aimee and Charlotte

Fundraiser First Aid Kit Order Form:

Fundraiser First Aid Kit Details

Price \$39 incl. GST

- ◆ The First Aid Kit that we are selling for our fundraiser is a large, carry kit with transparent fold-out compartments that contains 77 items including a digital thermometer and instant ice pack.
- ◆ Follows OSH and consumer regulations.

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:

- ◆ Please refer to information sheet for more details

Product Description	Price each	Quantity (please select)	Subtotal
Large First Aid Kit	\$39 incl. GST		\$
Total			\$

Cash or Cheque payment accepted.

Please make cheques payable to Hikutaia School



Fundraiser First Aid Kit

- Please support our fundraising efforts by purchasing one of our first aid kits.
- Proceeds from the sale of the first aid kits will go towards Hikutaia School
- Please refer to the product information below and/or check product sample provided and fill in your order details on the **order form attached**
- A sample kit is available in School office for viewing

As part of our fundraising efforts towards Hikutaia School, we are supplying a large quality first aid kit which you can purchase for only \$39. These first aid kits are excellent value for money and similar kits often retail for well over \$60.

For every kit sold, \$12 will go towards our fundraising efforts.

Product Details

The First Aid Kit that we are selling for our fundraiser is a large, carry kit with transparent fold-out compartments that contains 77 items including a digital thermometer. (Measures 240mm x 180mm x 85mm.)

Follows OSH and consumer regulations.



Kit Contents

FREE Digital Thermometer, FREE INSTANT ICE PACK, 2 x Emergency Blankets, 1 x CPR Resuscitation mask with valve, 1 x Eye Pad 5.5cm x 7.5cm, 2 x Burns Dressings 20cm x 30cm, 2 x Conforming Bandage Rolls 6cm x 400cm, 2 x Conforming Bandage Rolls 8cm x 400cm, 20 x Band Aid strips 7.5cm x 2cm, 2 x Triangular Bandages 90cm x 90cm x 127cm, Long adhesive strip 6cm x 20cm, Adhesive Multi-pore Tape Roll 13mm x 5m, 3 x Butterfly Adhesive Plasters 7.4cm x 4.5cm, 2 x Knuckle Adhesive Plasters 7.5cm x 3.7cm, 4 x Semi-permeable Dressings 6cm x 7cm, 3 x Adhesive Island Dressings 6cm x 7cm, 2 x Adhesive Island Dressings 6cm x 10cm, Combined/Abdominal absorbent pad 23cm x 12.5cm, Scissors 15cm, Tweezers (metal), 4 pairs large PVC safety gloves, 10 x safety pins, 4 x Soap wipes 20cm x 19cm, 4 x Saline Cleansing Wipes 20cm x 19cm, First Aid Guide

Why buy a kit?

- ◆ Everyone should have more than one updated First Aid Kit handy.
- ◆ A practical item that make a great gift (Including a great Christmas Idea!)
- ◆ These kits may cost you less than replacing the same contents in your old kit.