

Education is at the heart of Aid2Africa.co.uk's work in Zimbabwe. We want children to make the most of the learning opportunities available to them. When we build new classrooms in Zimbabwe it provides a secure learning environment, often saving children walks of up to 12 miles to get to school. It also will support a community that has been devastated by HIV and poverty. Many feel abandoned worthless and hopeless. Your support bring hope and a sense of not being forgotten. Education is highly valued by the community, but with inflation running in excess of 5000%, school fees have become a casualty. Likewise building programmes for new classrooms. Text books are often shared one book between 7 to 10 children.

Our "alternative" present list reflects real needs and with your help can address them. All our projects are on our website and as new information and pictures arrive we update the site. This means you can monitor the impact of you gifts into the future. We will identify which school or project has benefited from the gift, on the card we send to you to give with love to your friend or relation. Your Christmas presents will make a real difference to real children in Zimbabwe for the start of the new school year in January 2008.

£12 will provide a whole school with pencils. Often it is the most basic items which make a real difference to children's lives! Your gift will enable more children to enjoy writing and drawing. You might want to add some exercise books or paper to the present as well.

£12 will buy 5 Text books for a primary school
15 Text books cost just £36



£70 will buy exercise books for a class of children for a year
£2 will buy exercise books for a child for a year
£10 will pay for exercise books for 5 children for a year.



A large can of Paint and brushes to brighten up a classroom £24

Pens and Paper. Providing paper is a real problem for schools. Many have to get the children to bring their own. Children whose families have struggled to pay fees may fail at this hurdle. £5 will make a real difference to a class of children for months.



£22 will cement a firm friendship with this gift! It will buy two bags of cement to help construct a school in the remote village of Bere

For £19 you can nail that tricky gift with 7 kg of nails and screws for a school. This gift will form part of a new school in Manicaland Province, Zimbabwe.



£43 buys a teachers desk and makes them feel special
£27.50 puts a chair under the teachers desk
£33.85 buys a pupils group table.
£23.95 buys one of the two benches that will let the children sit at the table.
£705 buys a full classroom's furniture, 16 benches 8 tables a teacher's table and chair. (the saving is on multiple delivery costs)



£3,750 pays for the construction of a classroom.

Classrooms are generally built in blocks of two (or multiples of two) with a store room between two classrooms. This works out at exactly double the cost of a single classroom.

You can, of course, just make a donation and we will allocate it to a current project. The specific project will be recorded on the card we send for you to give to a friend.



How to buy a friend or relative an alternative presents:

- select the present(s) you want to buy for the person.
- Fill in the form on this catalogue
- Write a cheque for the amount (you can make a direct transfer to Aid2Africa.co.uk's bank account and email us with the details.)
- Post it to the address on the form

What happens next? On receipt, we will send you a personalised gift card to pass on to the person you bought the gift for.