

CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES 2017

Dear Parents

The School Education Act 1999 and School Regulations 2000 require the outlining of all contributions and charges that will be incurred by parents for the education of their child in the following year. The School Council has endorsed the following schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2017.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The voluntary contribution will be \$50 per student in 2017. This has been approved by our School Council and is within the \$60 maximum set in the Education Department's "Contributions, Charges and Fees Policy". The payment of contributions is very important as they are used to supplement the cost of materials used by students in their educational program of Literacy \$10, Mathematics \$10, ICT \$5, Physical Education \$5, The Arts \$5, Science \$5, Library \$10.

While the contributions are voluntary the quality of our teaching and learning program is maximised when each family makes its contribution.

The contributions supplement the funding gained from other sources including annual school grant, P&C funding as well as State and Federal Government grants.

CHARGES FOR EXTRA COST OPTIONAL COMPONENTS

The term 'charges' refers to the provision of extra cost optional activities which are part of the educational program and which voluntary contributions do not cover. Participation in activities is optional and students will only incur a cost when they are involved in the activity. The activities will not exceed the costs shown and if an activity does not occur within the school year no charge for that event will apply.

If you are experiencing financial hardship please speak to the Principal who may negotiate a reduced charge.

Details on charges collected in previous years have helped guide the Charges Schedule 2017. **Payments must be made prior to the event.**

CHARGES SCHEDULE 2017

Description	K	PP	1	2	3	4	5	6
Swimming Lessons (Inc bus & pool entry)		\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Excursions	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Incursions - e.g Performances/workshops (in school activities)	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Interschool Sport					\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Phys. Ed Clinics		\$30	\$30	\$30	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Year 6 Camp								\$400
Year 6 Graduation, (inc graduation shirt)								\$100
Student Leadership Course								\$30
SIMS Musical Instrument Hire						\$150	\$150	\$150
SIMS only - Band Concert Practice (\$5/week)						\$200	\$200	\$200
School Music Lessons/Concert Band Practice (\$20/week)						\$800	\$800	\$800
Choir						\$50	\$50	\$50
PEAC							\$80	\$80
Competitions- eg Speak Up Award, Numero, Jump Jam			\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
School Photos	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Total	\$180	\$270	\$320	\$320	\$390	\$1590	\$1670	\$2200

Voluntary Approved requests	Malvern Springs P & C	\$10 per Family
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Did you know you can make a DONATION to the school?

You may wish to support a particular project or learning area at the school via a donation. Donations to the school are tax deductible. If you would like to make a donation to a particular area of the school please, contact the Manager Corporate Services.

- **Graduation Activities** ~ includes items such as leaver's shirt, photographs and graduation events. The actual cost may be less depending on the level of subsidy available due to fundraising and donations. This does not include any costs for family members attending graduation activities.
- **PEAC** ~ Participation in PEAC is subject to a selection process in Year 4. Courses commence in Year 5 and are conducted at various schools. The total cost to a student is dependent on the number and type of courses selected during the year.
- **School of Instrumental Music Program** ~ Taught by visiting teachers from the Department of Education School of Instrumental Music to selected Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students. Please anticipate additional costs for the purchase of books, hire and the maintenance of instruments.

ITEMS FOR PERSONAL USE – RESOURCE LIST

The charges for personal use items will vary between year levels and includes:

- Student requirements essential for the educational program eg stationery items, calculator.
- Student requirements essential for successful management of the classroom eg tissues, art shirt.

A list of materials your child will require for the start of the year has been developed by staff and distributed. The Resource List is supported by Campion. The school also receives a commission that is channelled into student resources.

These items can be purchased through the suggested supplier or a supplier of your own choice.

It may be necessary to replace some items, such as pens, glue and pencils, throughout the year and parents are asked to check these each term and replenish where necessary.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- The payment of the voluntary contribution is preferred at the beginning of the year however; it may be paid by instalments at the beginning of each term. The payment can be made through Campion when ordering your Resource List; **QKR** payment app (download to your mobile), cheque, cash; or by internet bank transfer. The school bank details are:
Malvern Springs Primary School BSB: 066 040 Account number 1990 3602
- Charges for Extra Cost Optional Items are advertised in the school newsletter or by a separate note and are paid prior to the event.
- High cost activities such as the camp charges may be paid off over a period of time if a payment plan is arranged in advance with the Principal or Manager Corporate Services. The goal is to make sure we do everything we can to include all students in all activities.

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

Parents may be entitled to a refund of any unused portion of the contributions and charges they have paid if their child transfers to another school prior to the end of the school year. Alternatively, the remaining funds may be transferred to the new school. These refunds will be arranged upon your request and the refund will be based on a rate as approved by the School Council.

OPTIONAL SERVICES

The School provides parents with the opportunity to order school photographs and purchase books through the Scholastic Book Club. Information will be provided to parents when these services are made available.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

The P&C Association holds a number of fundraising events throughout the year. The school will conduct a variety of activities throughout the year including some on behalf of community and charity organisations.

Parents who wish to comment on any of the information supplied are welcome to contact the Principal or write to the School Council.

Dr Jenny Kuhn

PRINCIPAL

(Endorsed by School Council: 26/10/2016)