2023

Contributions, Charges and Personal Items



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Financial support by parents has always played a significant role in contributing towards providing resources that support the learning experiences of our students. The continuing partnership between schools and parents is vital to ensuring that all students receive a level of education to benefit and carry them forward.

The Beldon Primary School Board has endorsed the Contributions and Charges schedule for 2023 as per the School Education Act (1999) and Regulations (2000).

The Schedule is broken into four sections and will allow you to calculate the **maximum** costs you may incur during the 2023 school year. Where possible, we encourage you to re-use items from the previous school year to reduce costs.

The schedule is as follows:

- Contributions
- Charges Extra Cost Optional Components
- Personal Items for personal use in the educational program
- Other Services (not directly part of the educational program)

CONTRIBUTIONS

The total amount of contributions parents and caregivers of students in Kindergarten to Year 6 are requested to pay has been set at \$60.00 per student which is within the School Educational Regulations 2000. All contributions received supplement the school's expenditure in curriculum related activities.

While contributions are voluntary, your contribution is essential. The quality of our teaching and learning programs are maximised when each family pays their child's contribution and assists in supplementing funding gained from other sources.

The table below refers to dispersal of contributions for students in Kindergarten to Year 6:

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS - Section 99							
(For which a limit of \$60.00 exists in the Regulations)							
\$60.00 Per Student							
Digital Technology resources and consumables	\$ 10.00						
English and Library resources and consumables	\$ 8.00						
Mathematics resources and consumables	\$ 8.00						
Physical Education resources and consumables	\$ 7.00						
Science resources and consumables	\$ 7.00						
Technology and Enterprise resources and consumables	\$ 7.00						
Art and Craft consumables	\$ 7.00						
Photocopying supplement for all learning areas	\$ 6.00						
Total Contributions	\$ 60.00						

The School Board would like to point out that the contribution per child equates to less than \$1.20 per week over the course of the year.

CHARGES – Extra Cost Optional Components

A breakdown of estimated charges for your child's participation in excursions, incursions, and activities for 2023 has been included in the schedule below. Details on charges and costs collected in the previous year has assisted in estimating the 2023 charges. Students will only incur costs when they are involved in a particular activity and you will be asked to make payment for each activity as it occurs. Student participation is conditional on payment and permission forms being received by the school. The amounts shown represent the **maximum** charge for scheduled activities in 2023.

CHARGES – Section 100 (Maximum Projected Charges for extra cost optional items) YEAR LEVELS								
Description	К	PP	1	2	3	4	5	6
Interm Swimming Lessons		\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
Incursions and Excursions	\$50	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90
Classroom Activities e.g. cooking	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Year 6 Camp								\$300
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (\$5.50 each term)					\$22	\$22	\$22	\$22
Graduation Activities								\$100
Kindergarten Speech Program	\$180							
Interschool Sport						\$40	\$40	\$40
Instrumental Music							\$130	\$130
PEAC (Costs for selected students are a possible maximum and paid per course to the PEAC provider)			\$40	\$40	\$40	\$45	\$270	\$300

PERSONAL ITEMS – Items for personal use in the education program

Personal stationery items may be purchased from any source. However, for the convenience of parents the school assigns a contractor to supply personal use items. The school negotiates competitive prices and levels of service with suppliers prior to allocating the contract for the following school year. Campion Education have been awarded the contract for 2023. The school receives a commission from the recommended supplier however there is no obligation for parents to purchase personal stationery items through the supplier.

PERSONAL ITEMS - Section 108 (Items for personal use in the educational programme (Purchase through nominated supplier is optional) Replacement requirements throughout the year)									
Description	К	PP	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Personal requirements/stationery items (if purchased through Campion Education)	\$80	\$150	\$130	\$130	\$160	\$170	\$120	\$120	
Apron Set	\$20								
Library Bag	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$ 10	\$10				
School Diary			\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5	
Donations requested for use throughout the year:									
Tissues	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$4	
Paper Towels	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$2		
Paper Plates	\$2	\$2							

OTHER SERVICES - Optional

These items are provided to students at a cost, however, are not directly part of the educational program. Examples include:

- School Photos
- School fundraising such as Book Fair, Lapathon and gold coin donations for Free dress days (in support of charitable organisations)

PAYMENT METHODS

Instalments: Flexible instalment options and payment plans are available. Contact the Manager Corporate Services to tailor a suitable plan.

Direct Bank Deposit: Set up a recurring direct transfer at an amount determined by the payee from their chosen account.

Internet Banking: Account Name: Beldon Primary School

BSB: 066 040

Account No: 19906790

Reference: Your child's name, class, and reason for payment

EFTPOS: Payments by credit card or EFTPOS can be made in person, via telephone or by completing your card details on payment envelopes and excursion notes.

CASH: All cash payments must have details clearly stated on a payment envelope.

This information is intended to ensure all parents and caregivers understand their financial commitment and endeavour to support the school by paying contributions and extra cost optional charges when requested. Contributions are charged at the commencement of the new year however payments may be spread over the school year. Charges are billed as they arise throughout the year. Reminder of Unpaid Billing Item notices will be sent out during the school year to assist parents and caregivers with outstanding payments. Payment arrangements can be set up in the event of families experiencing financial hardship.

All payments are collected from payment boxes in blocks and may be made by direct bank transfers, credit card, EFTPOS or cash. Payments are receipted daily.

We thank you for your contributions. They are valued and provide an educational program to benefit every student.

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