



VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION 2018

21st March 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Providing a quality education for your children is a very resource intensive process. The Department of Education provides schools with a framework for the operation of voluntary student contribution schemes. These schemes have the sole role of enhancing resources available to improve student learning. It is essential that we maintain our high level of education provision. Each year, as part of our budget process, we identify funding priority areas for the Voluntary Parent Contribution Scheme. When choosing these priority areas, the School Council, P&C and the school staff look to purchase resources that directly benefit students in classrooms.

In 2018, **your contribution of \$140 per student** will assist in providing the following:

- **Digital Technologies** – including hardware, software, infrastructure upgrades and maintenance, WiFi maintenance, Applications, on-line subscriptions, technology support and clubs to support the teaching and learning programs and maximise student outcomes,
- **Increased Teacher Aide support** - to support to work carried out by classroom teachers and provide extension, intervention (MiniLit and MacqLit) and targeted support of the teaching and learning programs and to maximise student outcomes, and
- **Other whole school classroom initiatives** i.e. resources to support Pastoral Care, Speech Language Pathologist, EAL/D, LOTE, Learning Support, STEM and other Enrichment/Extension learning initiatives.

Families with three or more students will receive a reduction with a total contribution not exceeding \$280. Please note that this scheme is voluntary and parents are under no obligation to contribute (see attached information). In partnership with our School Council and P&C Association, I would; however, encourage parents to contribute and help enhance the learning outcomes for your children. \$140 per child is only about 0.70c per child/school day (200 days/year).

Parents can elect to make full or part payments at any time by an EFT deposit/s into the school's bank account. Please include your child's surname and class as the reference (e.g. Smith3G).

School Bank Account – BSB 064-114 A/C 00090145

Payments can also now be made via EFTPOS (MasterCard/Visa) at the office. A receipt for all money contributed to this scheme will be provided.

Kind Regards,

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