Voluntary Contributions and Charges



Hampton Park Primary School - Voluntary Contributions and Charges

The Hampton Park Primary School Board has endorsed the schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2025. The schedule is broken down into four sections and will allow families to calculate all costs relating to education that they may incur throughout the year. This is a requirement of the Education Act and will be very useful in enabling families to budget for such an important area of their expenditure.

The contributions and charges can be broken into four sections: -

- 1. Contributions
- 2. Charges for extra cost optional items
- 3. Items for personal use in the educational program
- 4. Optional costs for non-educational activities

1. Voluntary Contributions

The total amount of voluntary contributions parents/caregivers are being asked to pay has been set at \$60.00 per student which is in line with the School Education Regulations 2000.

Funds received will be used towards additional resources in the following areas:

English The Arts – Music and Visual

Mathematics Physical Education

Science ICT

2. Charges for Extra Optional Items

- A. This is a charge for optional elements related to specific learning activities and available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made. Eg: in-term swimming, visiting performers, excursions etc.
- B. This is a charge for optional elements related to specific learning activities and available to selected students but conditional on a payment being made. Eg: PEAC, academic competitions, school of instrumental music program at John Forrest Secondary College, interschool sport, etc

Participation in these components is voluntary, but a charge is payable if the student opts to participate. The indicated amount represents the maximum charges for scheduled activities in 2025. Built into the calculations is an amount for possible increase, which may be imposed by the suppliers.

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Description	Code	K	PP	1	2	3	4	5	6
Excursions ***	Α		\$25	\$50	\$55	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Incursions ***	Α	\$25	\$50	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
In-term Swimming ***	Α		\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Sports Carnivals ^ ***	В			\$15	\$15	\$35	\$35	\$80	\$80
Graduation Shirt	В								\$50
Year 6 Camp	В								\$350
Optional Extras									
School Photographs		Depending on individual order							
IMMS Instrument Hire (this relates to Year 6 student only in 2025)	В	For students who attend the Music Program – only if required							\$130
IMMS Year 5 Instrument Hire	В	For students who attend the Music Program – only if required						\$110	
PEAC									
Early Years Extension Program *	В			\$10	\$10	\$10			
PEAC Program *	В							\$60- \$300	\$60- \$300
Year 4 Induction Day (identified students only) *	В						\$50		

- * PEAC courses range in cost from \$20 to \$100 per round with students completing up to 3 per year.
- ^ Activities include cross country, interschool sport, carnival etc. These are greatly subsidised by the school.
- ** Senior students will be involved in fundraising activities in order to keep cost at a minimal for graduation activities
- *** Transport fees for excursions are non-refundable even if students do not attend.

In School Activities

Whilst many opportunities are provided within the school program for students to experience a variety of interesting activities, the chance to access specialist presenters through incursions is an essential part of providing depth and breadth to the school curriculum. Each year payment of the In School Activity charge (Incursions)

provides an opportunity for students to access these specialised presentations and workshops.

In previous year, the school has booked a variety of incursions to support the curriculum across all learning areas. Some of these have included: Scitech, World of Maths, Paint Storm, Music programs etc. In 2025 incursions will be booked that will directly support the school's curriculum. These incursions will form an important part of the school program and it is important for all students to participate in these experiences.

3. Items for personal use in the educational program

The cost for these items will vary from student to student.

- Pupil requirements for all students, eg, stationery items, library bag. A "Personal Items List" is provided in Term 4 and these items can be purchased from any supplier.
- Pupil requirements recommended but not essential for all students, eg. Art shirts, Tissues.
- Pupil requirements for selected students, eg. Purchase cost of instrument guitar program.

4. Optional costs for non-educational activities

These costs include school photographs, graduation shirts, scholastic book scheme, student council/year six fundraising, fundraising for charities etc.

Conclusion

The transparency in disclosing the maximum costs of Contributions, Charges and Personal Use items to parents is a key feature of the School Education Act (1999) and supporting Regulations (2000) and the Department of Education policy.

I hope that the rationale and justification provided to parents and carers through this documentation, and future information sharing will ensure everyone's understanding of these important contributions and charges.

Please be assured of our school's support by offering parents a range of payment options for any contributions, programs or activities to assist with family budgeting.

Yvonne Arnott Principal November 2024