



Dear Parents,

Financial support by parents has always played a significant role in providing resources that extend the school's capacity to add value to the learning experiences of students. The continuing partnership between schools and parents is vital to ensuring that all students receive a level of education sufficient to carry them forward in today's society.

The Bull Creek Primary School Council has endorsed the schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2011. The schedule is broken into four sections: voluntary contributions, voluntary approved funds, items for personal use and charges for optional extra components. Each of these is explained below.

Contributions

Voluntary contributions relate to the monies requested from parents towards the cost of materials, services and facilities used by K-10 students in the educational program.

The Bull Creek Primary School Council has approved a Voluntary Contribution of \$60 per student. If your child's Personal Use Items Lists have workbooks on them, then the cost of these workbooks have been deducted from this \$60.

Families experiencing any difficulty in meeting this contribution are urged to contact the Principal as soon as possible to discuss suitable payment arrangements. The money generated from these contributions will supplement expenditure in each of the eight learning areas.

Voluntary Approved Funds

The following voluntary approved funds have been set for 2011:

1. P&C Contribution – Per Child

This amount will help contribute to the P & C Association and the work they carry out for the school each year and has been set at \$30.00 per child. The P&C volunteer in many capacities in particular running the School Canteen and Uniform Shop.

2. Religious Education

This amount will contribute towards the cost of purchasing Religious Education workbooks on behalf of the Religious Instruction teachers and has been set at \$5.50.

Personal Use Items

These are personal items that students need to own and have been endorsed by the Bull Creek Primary School Council. The list is detailed and has been provided to you as an attachment to this letter. The charges for each of these **Personal Use Items Lists** will vary from student to student according to their phase of schooling.

We have negotiated competitive prices from Wooldridges and Office Max for materials on the list, but you are not obliged to use either supplier. **(The school does gain a percentage return by using these suppliers).**

**If you wish to use this service, please return the list to the office by
Friday, 26 November 2010**

**Collection of Personal Use Item Lists can be made at the school in the Undercover Area on
Monday 31st January 2011 between 8:30 and 10:30am**

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Charges

This term refers to the maximum anticipated costs of extra activities throughout the school year. Participation in extra activities is optional, and the total amount charged for the entire year will not exceed the totals in this document. If a particular event listed in this table does not occur, or you decide that your child will not participate, then no charges for that event will apply.

The charges for 2011 have been endorsed by the School Council and the 'Charges and Voluntary Contributions' schedule will be forwarded to you in November. The estimated costs are at an upper limit and will not exceed this amount.

For your convenience, you are able to pay a bulk payment at the beginning of the year to cover the cost of items your children are likely to participate in for 2011. For 2011, the classroom incursion and excursion charge has been set at \$60. The Whole School Incursion Charge has been set at \$20. Please note that Edu-Dance and Swimming appear as separate charges, but can be paid upfront.

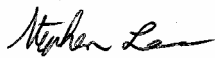
The attached 'Charges and Voluntary Contributions' schedule details the breakdown of the 2011 charges and voluntary contributions according to your child's year level. Please bring this to the office when you make payment in Term 1, 2011 (or when Personal Use Items are collected – see below).

Parents are entitled to a refund of any unused portion of the contribution and charges they have paid, if their child transfers to another school prior to the end of the school year. If you have a credit from your 2010 bulk payment, it will automatically flow into 2011 hence you may deduct it from your 2011 payment. This information will be available from the Office at the commencement of 2011 or at the time of payment of contributions and charges.

Payment of Voluntary Contributions, Voluntary Approved Funds and Charges can be made in the office by cheque or cash (no credit card facility is available) on the same day the Personal Use Items are collected – Monday 31st January 2011 or at the school office at your convenience.

Further information can be obtained from the Department of Education and Training's Our Policies Website at <http://www.det.wa.edu.au/policies/detcms/portal/>

Yours faithfully



Stephen Lee
Principal
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