



SETTLERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: School Contributions and Charges 2019

The *School Education Act, 1999* contains a number of requirements relating to the manner in which contributions and charges are requested from parents. One major requirement is for schools to outline ahead, all contributions and charges that **may** be incurred by your children throughout the 2019 school year. The Settlers Primary School Board has endorsed the schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2019. The schedule is broken into four sections and will allow you to calculate all costs that they **might** incur throughout the school year.

Payments can be made at any time. Voluntary Contributions for 2019 can be paid along with your Personal Items List Order or to the Front Office. Parents/Carers will be notified regarding charges for extra optional components such as excursion as they occur, however Parents are welcome to pay amounts in advance to be held on their child's account.

Payments can be made via Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS (minimum amount \$20) via Direct Deposit or via the QKR app. To pay via direct deposit our banking details are BSB: 016-010 ACCT: 498426673. Please include your child's Surname, first initial and purpose of payment.

The contributions and charges can be broken into four sections:

1. Voluntary Contributions – A voluntary contribution towards the cost of items used in the educational program provided for your child.
2. Charges for extra cost optional items – these are estimated amounts for non compulsory activities which require payment as a condition of participation by students.
3. Items for personal use in the education program – This includes items traditionally included on the school booklist.
4. Voluntary Approved Funds – Contributions made to the P & C, Kindergarten Committee or Pre Primary Committee or similar.

1. Voluntary Contributions

For 2019, the School Board has reviewed our school voluntary contributions. The total amount of contributions parents and carers are being asked to pay for 2019 has been contained below the \$60.00 per student maximum set in the *School Education Regulations 2000*.

Money collected will be used to supplement school expenditure in the areas listed below. The actual costs per child are shown in the table beneath. While Contributions are voluntary the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family makes its contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources, including the State and Commonwealth governments. The contribution level sought represents approximately **\$1.00 for each week** of the school year.

Kindergarten – Year 6 \$40:

Computer Consumables	\$ 5.00
Science & Technology resource materials	\$ 5.00
Society & Environment resource materials	\$ 5.00
Physical & Health Ed resource materials	\$ 5.00
Mathematics resource materials	\$ 5.00
Arts resource materials	\$10.00
English resource materials	\$ 5.00
Total contribution per student	\$40.00

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2. Charges for Extra Cost Optional Components

A breakdown of estimated charges for your child's participation in incursions, excursions, activities etc for 2019 has been included in the schedule below. Detail on charges collected in previous years has informed our 2019 charges schedule. Students will only incur costs when they are involved in a particular activity. The amounts indicated on the schedule represent the **maximum** charged for scheduled activities in 2019. **As in the past, you will be asked to make payment for each activity as it approaches. Should you wish to, Payments can be made in advance and allocated to each event as it occurs.**

The charges schedule includes costs associated with:

- Specific learning activities available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made.
e.g. excursions, incursions, classroom cooking.
- Specific learning activities available to selected students, but conditional on a payment being made.
e.g. PEAC, School of Instrumental Music program, P.E. activities, Camp
- Other activities available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made.
e.g. swimming

Description	K	P	1	2	3	4	5	6
Incursions	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$30
Excursions	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$60	\$60	\$60
Swimming Lessons		\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45
P.E. Activities (Interschool sports, clinics, sports options)			\$10	\$10	\$10	\$40	\$40	\$40
Dance Lessons								\$35
Camp								\$500
Music Performances/Incursions			\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
L.O.T.E. activities					\$10	\$10		
Choir					\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Cooking/Craft Materials	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$5
Graduation Dinner/Dance								\$50
School Photos	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Graduation shirt screen printing*								\$20
PEAC							\$300	\$300
Science Club Overnight Camp*								\$95
School Production \$10 per family*					\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10
Musical Instrument Hire*								\$130

- * Cost is calculated on a per shirt basis. School shirts are purchased separately by parents. This charge represents costs associated with silk screening.
- * Science Club Camp will only be offered to Year 6 students who are members of the Science Club.
- * Approval for payment of \$10 per family for students to participate in School Production.
- * PEAC charges for 2019 are yet to be determined. The total charges are dependent on the number and type of PEAC courses selected by the student.

NB:

- ⊗ *Students may be excluded from participation in some activities at the discretion of the school.*
- ⊗ *The above charges do not include the cost of school uniforms.*
- ⊗ *Some classes may be running small scale stalls and raffles as fund raisers.*
- ⊗ *Some fund raising may be conducted by Year 6 classes to assist with costs associated with the Year 6 camp and/or end of year activities.*
- ⊗ *Musical Instrument Hire – some costs may vary in 2019 depending on the brand of equipment and maintenance expenses.*

3 Items for Personal Use in the Educational Program

The charge for personal use items will vary from student to student and includes:

- ⊗ Pupil requirements for all students and used in lessons. (E.g. stationery items, calculator etc.)
 - ⊗ Pupil requirements recommended but not essential for all students. (E.g. carpet square, art shirt, tissues etc.)
 - ⊗ Items and activities for selected students that are not directly part of the educational program (E.g. Musical instrument hire, school photos, discos)
- N.B. Some of these items have already been listed in the schedule above.

A Personal Items List detailing recommended resources for each child will be distributed separately. The school has negotiated competitive prices for materials on the list, but you are not obliged to use our supplier. The School Board has opted to forego a commission paid to the school from the supplier in order to pass on savings directly to parents. If you do wish to order through the school's provider, please follow the directions on the Personal Items List. Do not include any money at this time. Your child will need to have the listed materials each school day so it may be necessary to replace some items such as pencils throughout the year.

4 Voluntary Approved Funds

Other voluntary approved funds are not currently used at Settlers Primary School.

Calculate Your Anticipated Contributions and Charges For 2019

To calculate your anticipated contributions and charges, select the costs relevant to your child's year level from each section and tally them on the table below.

Name of Child	Voluntary Contribution (Section 1)	Charges for Extra Cost Options (Section 2)	Items for Personal Use (From Booklist) (Section 3)	Voluntary Approved Funds (Section 4)	Total

Gary Brown
Principal