



RICHMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL CHARGES FOR 2010

Dear Parents and Carers,

In 2010 Richmond Primary School's core focus will be –

Providing Every Student with Every Opportunity

It is imperative that we have the full support of our school community to provide the high quality education that we expect and our children deserve.

(A) ESSENTIAL CURRICULUM REQUISITES/COMPULSORY CONSUMABLES (\$260)

It is impracticable for parents to individually buy the items used each day by students, such as art materials, paints, science equipment etc. It is more efficient and economical for the school to purchase these items in bulk and pass on the subsequent savings to parents.

STUDENT REQUISITES – are materials used by the students throughout the year. They are bought in bulk and supplied at the beginning of the year and replenished during the year. Eg, paper, exercise books, pencils, glue, display books, erasers, pens, scissors, sharpeners etc.
Cost \$180

LIBRARY/TECHNOLOGY CONSUMABLES - includes consumable costs the school incurs in providing information technology eg. computer paper, disks, printer cartridges and maintaining and expanding the library collection, library consumables and class sets. **Cost \$80**

(B) VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT.

As government funding only covers the essential curriculum, support and some general funding, we rely on families to voluntarily contribute funds and undertake fundraising activities. The money raised this way is used as follows:

- Purchase of student furniture
- Upgrading and replacement of computers on a regular basis (including laptop purchase)
- Purchasing and replacement of sport and physical education equipment
- Increasing wireless access points
- Providing intervention programs to 'at risk' students
- Replacement of printers

Your voluntary contribution enables RPS to focus on delivering high quality programs and better outcomes for our students. **Cost: \$125**

(C) SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LEVY

This levy enables the school to employ a grounds keeper and covers the purchase and maintenance of equipment to maintain our school. **Cost: \$90**

If you choose **NOT** to pay this amount you will be asked to attend two school working bees held by the Buildings and Grounds committee throughout the year. Your account will be credited this amount once you have attended the required days.

PAYMENT OPTIONS (Per Child)

OPTION 1 – Payment in full by 11th December 2009

Payment of Component A, B and C by 11/12/08 will be discounted to \$430.00

OPTION 2 – Payment in full by 26th February 2010

Payment of Component A, B and C by 26/02/09 will be discounted to \$450.00

OPTION 3 – Payment in installments in 2010

Split payment of Component A, B and C throughout the year + excursion levy.

Payment 1 - \$237.50 by 26/02/10

Payment 2 - \$237.50 by 18/06/10

EXCURSION LEVY

There is also the option of paying the excursion levy at the beginning of the year. Pre-payment reduces administration costs and assists with the way teachers plan and deliver excursions and cultural activities.

This levy covers payment for excursions (including bus costs), all incursions such as visiting productions/performers and Physical/Health Education activities such as Life Education or gymnastics.

This cost includes;

- 1 curriculum based excursion per term
- 1 incursion per term (Performing Arts/Science/Humanities etc)
- 1 Physical/Health Ed. program such as Life Education or gymnastics

It **does not** include swimming, photos or camps.

Cost: \$180 per child

If you choose not to pay the excursion levy you will be charged individually and in advance for each excursion/incursion throughout the year.

Please note:

1. Parents having difficulty paying the fees should contact the Principal, Megan Smith or the Business Manager, Jane Burns. We will try to accommodate all circumstances that may arise.
2. Payment may be by cash, eftpos, MasterCard, Visa card or cheque payable to Richmond Primary School.
3. Component A, B and C are capped at a maximum of \$950 per family (2 children) plus the excursion levy for each child.
4. Any additional payments made by families will be allocated to those families experiencing financial difficulties.

Yours sincerely

Hamish Patterson
Honorary School Treasurer