



PALMYRA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Voluntary Contributions and Charges 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

The Education Act 1999 requires schools to notify parents and carers of all contributions and charges prior to the start of the school year. These costs are divided into four areas: Voluntary Contributions, Charges, Personal Use Items and Extra Cost Optional Components that have been endorsed by the Palmyra School Council.

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 components** - these are an estimated amount for charges for non-compulsory activities, which require payment as a condition of participation by students.
3. **Personal Use Items** - required for use in the educational program e.g., stationery items.
4. **Extra Cost Options** - available to students if families wish to participate.

1. Voluntary Contributions (Kindergarten to Year 6)

The total amount of Voluntary Contributions parents and carers are being asked to pay is **\$60.00 per student**. This equates to approximately \$1.50 per week. While Contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family contributes to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources, including the State and Commonwealth governments.

The funds collected will be used to supplement expenditure in any of the following areas:

\$10 Library books/resources \$20 Literacy resources \$20 Mathematics resources

\$5 Physical Education resources \$5 Performing and Visual Arts materials

ICT Contribution (Pre-Primary to Year 6) \$15 per student

iPad Management and software purchases eg; Mathletics

Student Support Contribution (Kindergarten to Year 6) \$15 per student

Student Wellbeing Resources, eg; sensory tools

2. Charges for extra cost optional components

This amount can vary from year to year and from class to class. A breakdown of estimated **charges** for your child's participation in excursions/in-school activities etc. for 2024 has been outlined in the schedule below. The amounts indicated on the schedule represent the **maximum** charged for scheduled activities in 2024. **Students can only participate if they have parental permission and have paid the charge.** This amount would cover the following activities: *Visiting performers, in-school activities, excursions, interschool sport, etc.*

2024 Schedule of Charges for extra cost optional components

A. Curriculum Related Activities for students	Kindy	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Activity Charge - Excursions/ In-School Activities	\$70	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Payments paid to the class front office as they arise throughout the school year.								
B. Additional Curriculum Related Activities for students participating	Kindy	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Dance Programs (Kindy Activ-Dance PP-6 Edu Dance)	\$60		← \$45 →					
Music curricula activities			← \$20 →					
Visual Art			← \$20 →					
LOTE (Indonesian)			← \$20 →					
Choir Senior						← \$60 →		
Interschool Sport Excursion						← \$60 →		
Swimming Lessons			← \$70 →					
Year 6 Young Writers Program								\$220
Year 6 Camp								\$350

Voluntary Contributions and Charges - (see schedule on previous page) can be paid at the commencement of the school year.

Payment Options:

Internet Banking - Direct deposit to Palmyra Primary School bank account. BSB:066-040 Acct:19900268 (please include Student name and VC). EFTPOS, Credit Card, or cash payments at the front office. Credit Card payments over the phone.

Other amounts listed need to be **paid to the front office** as they arise throughout the school year. Parents will be notified of these events via an activity note, the school website or in the school newsletter.

Fundraising

During the year, the P&C and/or individual classes organise fundraising projects such as Discos, Fun Days and Social events to support the priorities in the school's plan or charities that the school identifies it would like to support during the year.

School Refund Policy

Refunds will not include the bus component as this is non-refundable.

Should you have an enquiry relating to the Voluntary Contributions and Charges information please do not hesitate to contact the front office on 08 6436 0100.

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