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Voluntary School Contributions

Dear Parents,

Each year we ask each family make a voluntary contribution towards the purchase of equipment for use by the children. Again, we are asking for a contribution of \$45 per child, \$120 for three or more children.

We are totally responsible for funding the school's operations. We receive funding from the State and Federal Governments, which covers all utilities (such as water, gas, electricity, telephone, postage), casual salaries, equipment (such as computers, photocopiers, lawnmowers, first aid supplies, etc), *some* reading books, *some* books for the Library, *some* classroom equipment (for Art, Craft, Science, Maths, Music, Human Society and Its Environment, PE and Sport).

We are extremely fortunate with the financial assistance that we receive from the P & C Association. This certainly helps provide essential equipment for our children. However, this funding does need the supplementation of the Voluntary School Contributions to help provide the essential classroom items.

Part of the Government funding includes \$60 per child, approximately. As you probably will realise \$60 per child does not cover all of the above-mentioned supplies. It is for this reason that we ask families to contribute their Voluntary School Contributions so that we can ensure that we provide an environment of educational excellence for our children.

The contribution of \$45 will be used to purchase:

- Photocopy paper
- Calculators
- Computer software
- Cardboard
- Pencils
- Exercise books to be used in class
- Printer cartridges
- Reading books

Mathletics Subscription

This year we have organised Mathletics subscriptions for all K-2 Students. The cost is \$22 per student. This will be used by classroom teachers for homework. Students can complete a range of different activities and compete against each other online once their homework is complete. Parents in Years 3-6 will also have the opportunity to purchase this program for use at home. Please complete the separate section on the envelope for this subscription.

We ask that you make these contributions as soon as possible using the attached envelope. If paying by cheque or cash an individual receipt will be issued. Payments online do not require a receipt from the school.

We understand that this time of year is full of financial demands, so we are happy for people to make alternative arrangements. In anyone does have particular financial concerns, please contact me for an appointment. All discussions are confidential.

Your co-operation and understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Wilkins
Relieving Principal