

## Payment of Parent Charges 2020

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November

### Essential Student Learning Items 2020

At Birrale we have high expectations that children will be challenged and supported in their education. We are justifiably proud of the excellent record of achievement we maintain and, to this end, we require support from the school community via Essential Student Learning Items and Voluntary Contributions. We give high priority to important areas such as English and Mathematics - areas of study that require large amounts of funding to resource satisfactorily.

In keeping with DEECD requirements, School Council has set the Essential Student Learning Items for 2020 at:

**Prep -1 -\$385.00;**

**Grades 2 -\$400.00 ;**

**Grades 3-6 -\$415.00**

Money paid by parents for the Essential Student Learning is used to purchase stationery, bulk purchase and maintenance of class sets of readers, bulk purchase and maintenance of class sets of textbooks, for example atlases and dictionaries, 'Mathletics' and 'Spellodrome' software licences (for school and home use), materials for use in music, art & craft, social studies, technology, health, sport, physical education, science, history, geography, and also for photocopied materials used by students throughout the year. These charges also cover the inclusion of specific consumable workbooks in the areas of Mathematics, English grammar, Spelling and also for our Spalding Phonics program.

Through purchasing at special bulk prices and reducing expenditure where practicable, Essential Student Learning Items charges are kept to a minimum.

The stationery items will be given to your child in Grades 3-6 upon receipt of payment for the Parent Payment Charge. For children in **grades 3-6**, please ensure that your child's stationery requisites **are named and returned to school with your child on the first day of school next year.**

**Children in Prep -2 will be given their stationery requisites in the classroom as required.**

### Essential Student Learning Items

#### **Activity Levy 2020**

This levy will cover all excursions, visiting activities, interschool sport, whole school athletics and swimming carnival as well as Gymnastics (Term 1), Dance Program (Term 2), Tennis Program (Term 3) and Swimming & Water Safety Program (Term 4). A copy of the school's Refund Policy is also included.

Children in grades 3-6 will be involved in a district sports program – with an extra charge to cover buses and sports fees.

Children in grades 5&6 will be involved in a specialist sports program involving some inter-schools sport as well - with an extra charge to cover buses and sports fees.

**Prep and Grade 1: \$250.00**

**Grade 2: \$310.00**

**Grades 3-6: \$315.00**

Please note that the levy will not cover camps, Student Representative Council (SRC) fundraising activities and After School Basketball.

### **Parent Voluntary Contributions 2020**

#### **Grounds Maintenance Levy 2020**

We are fortunate at Birralelee is fortunate to have spacious, park-like grounds for our students to enjoy. As you can imagine, maintaining these grounds requires a great deal of money. This levy will assist with mowing, safe maintenance of trees along with general maintenance, provision of playground equipment softfall and will also enable planting and landscaping works to be carried out during the year.

Schools rely on fundraising and voluntary donations to enhance our learning environment. School Council has asked that families consider assisting the School by contributing to the following Voluntary Contribution levies to assist with the resourcing of:

- Library,
- Buildings,
- Information Technology.

Please note that these levies are purely voluntary and the amounts stated are only a suggested amount; families may donate to all or any of the above.

Voluntary contributions are very well received by the school and put to very good use.

### **Payment Arrangements**

Payments for Materials and Services Charges and Excursion Levy can be made by

- 1) direct deposit BSB: 063 210 Account No: 10022649
- 2) BPay (**reference number issued to each family on their statement**)
- 3) cash
- 4) debit card payable at the school office
- 5) credit card (2%charge) payable at the school office. Credit details can also be completed on the form or given to the school office over the phone.
- 6) cheque payable to Birralelee Primary School

If you have any queries or concerns regarding payment please contact the Principal, Mr Ashley Ryan on 9848 4996.

Thank You,

Ashley Ryan on behalf of School Council