Dear Parents/Guardians,

1. School Contributions

Many thanks for your school contributions this year. These have made a significant difference to the number and quality of programs we have been able to offer your children.

The payment of school contributions supports the educational program that your child is offered at Gosnells Primary School.

Although voluntary, the Minister for Education expects all parents who can afford to pay the school contributions to do so. School budgeting is based on the expectation that parents will pay. Without your help it will be difficult to provide the level of support and range of activities that we all value.

2. Charges

The term charges refers to the provision of extra cost optional activities which is part of an education program and which contributions do not cover. All of the following are optional and if no payment is received, an educational activity with a similar outcome will be provided to that student.

The schedule (overleaf) has been broken into sections that will allow you to calculate all costs that you might incur throughout the following school year.

It is important to note that these are an overview of all the types of charges that a school may charge through the year and simply are the maximum costs that you may be asked to pay for a selected item only. In many cases, the costs are significantly lower if at all for certain items.

Payment Options:

Parents can pay the contributions off by periodical instalments if required. *The school will notify parents when charges are due* and part payments can be paid before the event/activity takes place. Full payment is required before the event/activities.

Refund of Contributions and Charges:

Parents may be entitled to a refund of any unused portion of the contributions and charges they have paid if their child transfers to another school prior to the end of the school year. Alternatively, the remaining funds can be transferred to the new school. These refunds will be arranged upon your request and the refund will be based on a rate as approved by School Board.

NOTE: All Contributions, Charges, Personal Items, Rates of Refunds and Additional Requests have been endorsed and approved by the School Board.

Scott Tapper
Principal
Gosnells Primary School

Charges Overview:

DEFINITION	AMOUNT	
School Contributions: In accordance with the School Education Act 1999, School Education Regulations 2000 and Department of Education Contributions, Charges and Fees Manual V1.5 schools can request up to a maximum contribution of $60.00 for each child in years K-6. A Contribution is 'voluntary' and the funds are used towards the cost of materials, services and facilities used by students in the educational program. ***Contributions collected at this school as approved by the School Board will contribute to:*** ➢ ***Photocopy Materials*** ➢ ***Text/Workbooks*** ➢ ***Student Consumable Materials, e.g., Art/Craft/Science*** ➢ ***Library Resources***	**PP-Year 6** **One child per year** **Kindergarten** **One child per year**	**$60** **$60**
Charges: The 2027 extra cost optional activities, which have been approved by School Board, are as follows. The estimated costs provided are at an upper limit and will not exceed this amount. If a particular event does not transpire within the school year no charges for that event will apply. ***The School Board has approved all charges.***		
Swimming (Pre-Primary – 6) - In-term swimming held at Gosnells Leisure World (includes bus fare and pool entry). 10 Lessons.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$70**
Sports - Prices will vary according to event (e.g., Interschool sports, sports specialists, interschool dance, etc.)	Maximum Cost per Student	**$60**
Class Excursions - Up to two excursions per year - per class at a maximum cost of $80 for the year.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$80**
Incursions / Cultural Activities - The school organises one or two cultural activities per term. These are either covered fully or subsidised through a variety of school grants.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$70**
PEAC (Year 5 - 6) – Identified students who attend the Primary Extension and Challenge Program can opt to attend a variety of courses at various locations throughout the year.	Cost depends on courses selected which range from $10 to $110	**Up to $300**
Year 6 Graduation Activities/Excursion – Prices will vary according to venue selected by staff / students.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$120**
Year 6 – Overnight Camp	Maximum Cost per Student	**$175**
Instrumental Music (Year 5 - 6) – Costs will cover tuition, instrument hire and music books. Additional costs will apply if student purchases own instrument which will vary according to type.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$170**
Performing Arts – Prices will vary according to the events chosen to attend and any subsidies available.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$50**
Student Council Activities – Our student council are often invited to attend events throughout the year, in particular related to student leadership. Where possible the school will cover costs associated with these activities.	Maximum Cost per Student	**$20**
Personal Items: The Gosnells Primary School Board has endorsed the items as being personal items under section 108 of the School Education Act 1999. • The items can be purchased through the suggested supplier or a supplier of your own choice. Please refer to the Personal Items List for each year level. Prices have been quoted, but this will vary as to where you choose to purchase from. • You may be required to provide additional supplies of the listed items throughout the year.	Per Supplier	**See Personal Items List**