



Bremer Bay Primary School

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Dear Parents

2023 SCHOOL CHARGES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

The Bremer Bay Primary School Council has endorsed the schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2023. The schedule is broken into three sections and will allow you to calculate all costs that may be incurred throughout the school year.

1. Contributions

The total amount of contributions parents/caregivers are being asked to pay has been set at \$60.00 for your first and second child, and \$40.00 for each additional child after that in a family. These prices are in line with the School Education Regulations 2000.

Money collected will be used to supplement school expenditure in the curriculum learning areas. While the contributions are voluntary the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family makes its contribution to supplement funding gained from other sources, including the State and Commonwealth governments. It is therefore vital for the school to receive your family's contribution. Your contribution will be used to purchase resources needed in the provision of the learning program activities. The table below gives you the breakdown of where we will direct your voluntary contribution to.

Kindergarten/Pre-primary		Years 1 - 6	
Play Based Activities Physical Resources \$10	\$10.00	Science Consumables \$5	\$5.00
Art/Craft Consumables Stationery \$10 Craft Materials \$10	\$20.00	Art/Craft Consumables Stationery \$10 Craft Materials \$5	\$15.00
Literacy and Numeracy Resources \$10 Consumables \$10	\$20.00	Literacy and Numeracy Textbooks \$15 Consumables \$5	\$20.00
Photocopying Supplementary to all Learning Areas	\$10.00	Photocopying Supplementary to all Learning Areas	\$10.00
		ICT Computing Consumables \$10.00	\$10.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION	\$60.00	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION	\$60.00

The School Council has suggested a number of options be offered to assist parents making their contribution.

Option 1 A single contribution of \$60.00 (this can be paid at the school office).

Option 2 Four equal contributions, each of \$15.00 made in the first week of each term.

Option 3 Two payments, each of \$30.00 made in the first week of each semester.

The School Council would like to point out the contribution per child (\$60.00) equates to \$1.50 per week over the course of the year.

We also point out that all contributions are used for the direct benefit of the students. Our aim is to maintain our community's contribution rate to 100% for the benefit of all our students.

2. Charges For Extra Cost Optional Components

A breakdown of estimated charges for your child's participation in excursions, incursions and activities for 2023 has been included in the table attached. The amounts shown represent the maximum charged for scheduled activities in 2023.

3. Items For Personal Use

The list of items for personal use will vary from student to student and includes:

- Pupil requirements for all students used in lessons
e.g. stationery items, calculator, etc.
- Pupil requirements recommended but not essential for all students
e.g. tissues, art shirt, etc.
- Pupil requirements for selected students and not directly part of the educational program e.g. class photographs, shared lunches, etc.

The recommended list of Items for Personal Use for your child has been distributed as the Stationery Requirements list. Your child will need to have the listed materials each school day so it will be necessary to replace some items, such as pens or pencils, throughout the year.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Payment of contributions would be appreciated at the **commencement of the 2023 school year**. These payments are taken into account when budgeting for the school year and early payment allows for accuracy when developing such budgets.

It is usual that parents pay **charges** as the events to which they relate arise, therefore parents are not required to pay the full amount relating to their family upfront.

Payments may be made at the school office or sent in with your child/children. Alternatively, payments can be transferred direct to the school bank account. Please make sure you advise the school office of details of the transfer, include your child's name in the reference field and what the payment is for. ***Please make payments in the 2023 calendar year for school audit purposes. Thank you.***

Account Name: Bremer Bay Primary School
BSB: 066500
Account Number: 00904281

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES:

Parents may be entitled to a refund of any unused portion of the contributions 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 Council.

Families enrolling after the beginning of the year will be asked to pay a proportion of the yearly contribution.

Contributions and Charges 2023

Endorsed by Bremer Bay School Council

Definition	Amount
<p><u>CONTRIBUTIONS:</u></p> <p><i>In accordance with the Department of Education Contributions, Charges and Fees Policy September 2001, schools can request up to a maximum contribution of \$60.00 for years K-7.</i></p> <p><i>A Contribution is 'voluntary' and the funds are used towards the cost of materials, services and facilities used by students in educational programs.</i></p> <p>Contributions collected in 2023 will be used for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art (paints, paper, wool etc.) • Science (disposable items) • Technology and Enterprise (disposable items) • Classroom resources, e.g. printer ink, paper, files, reading books • Improved sporting equipment 	<p>\$60.00 per first and second child in a family.</p> <p>\$40.00 for each additional child.</p>

Definition	Amount
<p><u>CHARGES:</u></p> <p>The term "charges" refer to the provision of extra cost optional activities that are 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.</p> <p>The 2023 extra cost optional activities which have been approved by School Council 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.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming Lessons (depending on availability of teachers and affordability for the school and family) In term swimming TBC. 	<p>\$40.00 per first and second child in a family. \$30.00 for each additional child.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursions/Incursions Up to 2 excursions/incursions per term per class including the charge of between \$10.00 and \$15.00 towards transport costs. Parents will be asked to pay as excursions occur. Examples of Excursions: Kanga Cricket, Lightning Carnivals, Visit to the National Park. Examples of Incursions: Theatre Groups, Puppet Shows, NAIDOC Activities. 	<p>Up to a maximum cost of \$300.00 per a student.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camp Senior Class Camp The actual cost may be much less depending on subsidisation by fundraising, school and P & C funds. 	<p>Maximum cost of \$500.00 per student</p>

PERSONAL ITEMS:

These items will be approved by teachers as being required by students for personal use in the educational programs provided by this school. This list will be issued with the end of year package.

The items are to be purchased through a supplier of your own choice. Please refer to the booklist for each year level.

Regards,



Venessa Hendry
Principal

22nd November 2022