

Dear Parents / Carers,

## 2024 Voluntary Contributions and Extra Cost Optional Components

The Mount Lawley Primary School Board has endorsed the following schedule of School Voluntary Contributions and Charges for 2024 and notes the proposed P&C fee and voluntary contribution. This schedule is broken into four sections and will allow you to calculate all possible costs that you might incur throughout the next school year.

### TABLE 1 – VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

#### a) Voluntary School Contribution:

The School Board has again reviewed our Voluntary School Contributions and the amount parents and carers are being asked to pay for 2024 will remain at the \$60 maximum as set out in the School Education Regulations 2000. Below is an indication of the types of expenditure the contribution will be used for.

- ❖ English ❖ Mathematics ❖ Science ❖ The Arts ❖ Humanities and Social Sciences
- ❖ Health and Physical Education ❖ Technologies ❖ Languages Other Than English
- ❖ Photocopy materials ❖ Classroom Activities ❖ Supplementary Library Books
- ❖ Celebrating special days ❖ Involving Kindergarten students in school events

While these contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family makes its contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources, including the State and Commonwealth Governments.

All contributions are used for the direct benefit of children.

Voluntary School Contributions can be paid on the Personal Items for Student Use list (Booklist) or directly to the school office. Payment methods are outlined on Page 3.

The School Board has suggested a number of options be offered to assist parents in making their contributions:

- Option 1** A single contribution. This can be paid through the Personal Items for Student Use list (Booklist) or at the school office.
- Option 2** Four equal contributions, made in the first week of each term.
- Option 3** Two payments, each made in the first week of each semester.
- Option 4** If you are having difficulty making payments to the school at any time, please see the School Office to discuss payment plan arrangements.

#### b) Voluntary P&C Contribution:

Other voluntary approved funds at Mount Lawley Primary School include P&C Contributions of \$100 for one child, \$150 for two children and \$200 for three or more children. This voluntary contribution is administered by the P&C Committee and is used to fund and support school initiatives and focus areas that meet the needs of our children. Parents who wish to become members of the P&C are requested to pay a \$1.00 membership fee at the first meeting they attend.

Voluntary P&C Contributions can be paid on the Personal Items for Student Use list (Booklist) or directly to the school office. Payment methods are outlined on Page 3.

P&C Contribution:      1 Child = \$100      2 Children = \$150      3 or more Children = \$200

**TABLE 2 – EXTRA COST OPTIONAL COMPONENTS**

These are estimated amounts for non-compulsory activities which require payment as a condition of participation. Students who do not participate in these activities are still expected to attend school and will be supervised.

**AMOUNTS for EXTRA COST OPTIONAL COMPONENTS (maximum estimated cost per year level)**

ACTIVITY	K	PP	1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Excursions & In-School Activities (classroom and whole school)	\$ 96	\$79	\$71	\$74	\$74	\$77	\$86	\$99
2. In-Term Swimming			\$ 60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
3. Dancing							\$ 30	\$ 30
4. Choir						\$ 10		\$ 10
5. RoboCup							\$ 25	\$ 25
6. Chess Club Tournaments				\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
7. Science and Engineering Challenge							\$35	\$35
8. Faction / Interschool Swimming (including swim training)						\$ 61	\$61	\$ 61
9. Faction / Interschool Athletics			\$15	\$15	\$22	\$22	\$22	\$22
10. Interschool Sport Program / Lightning Carnivals (Inc School Sports Triathlon Teams)					\$5	\$5	\$20	\$20
11. School Camp								\$420
<b>TOTAL FOR EXTRA COST OPTIONAL COMPONENTS</b>	<b>\$96</b>	<b>\$79</b>	<b>\$146</b>	<b>\$174</b>	<b>\$186</b>	<b>\$260</b>	<b>\$364</b>	<b>\$807</b>

**TABLE 3 – OTHER OPTIONAL COSTS / SERVICES**

These are estimated amounts for non-compulsory activities or items which require payment as a condition of provision or participation and where the payments are made to third parties.

**OTHER OPTIONAL COSTS / SERVICES**

Leavers T-Shirt (Payable to the P&C Uniform Shop)	\$50
Graduation Dinner Dance (Payable to the organising committee)	\$50
School Photos – Kindergarten to Year 6 (Payable to School Photographer on package selected)	\$30 to \$90
PEAC - Primary Extension and Challenge (Payable to PEAC co-ordinating school via MLPS) Charges for Year 5 and 6 students, if selected, will be no more than \$300 for the year. Cost depends on courses selected which range from \$15 to \$100 per round.	\$45 to \$300

**TABLE 4 – ITEMS FOR PERSONAL USE IN THE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The charge for personal use items will vary from student to student.

**ITEMS FOR PERSONAL USE IN THE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Items purchased for individual student use in lessons (eg stationery items, calculator etc) are as per each year group's Personal Items for Student Use List (Booklist). Booklists detailing recommended items for the new school year are available on the school's website in the "Parent Information" tab from December 1 each year. The school has negotiated competitive prices for

materials on this list, but parents are not obliged to use our supplier. If you do wish to order through the school's provider, please follow the directions on the Booklist.

Your child will need to have the appropriate materials each school day so it may be necessary to replace some items such as pencils throughout the year.

If your child has been chosen to participate in the School of Instrumental Music (SIM) program, parents may choose to hire an instrument from the Department of Education. The SIM Teacher will advise participants at the beginning of the school year. Please refer to the School of Instrumental Music website [www.sim.iinet.net.au](http://www.sim.iinet.net.au) for further details.

\$ 110

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

Payments to the school can be made in a number of ways:

- Qkr! App (pronounced "quicker") Qkr! is a secure and easy online payment platform which gives parents the flexibility to pay for events at any time that's convenient. Qkr! also has the capability for parents to electronically sign permission slips, so no more lost notes to contend with. Please download the app for free from the App Store or Google Play. Information on how to set up Qkr! is available from the front office.  
*Qkr! is the preferred option for payment and permission.*
- EFTPOS  
Debit and credit card payment facilities are available at the school's front office.
- Direct Deposit:  
Mount Lawley Primary School  
ANZ Mount Lawley  
BSB: 016-370 ACCOUNT: 340 879 955  
(Please include family name and room number as a reference).
- Pre-payments  
Parents can make a pre-payment of any amount into their child's account at any time. This pre-payment is known as unallocated credit and can be used to automatically pay for activities throughout the year. Unused unallocated credit rolls over from year to year. You can obtain your child's unallocated credit balance at any time calling our office on 9238 0800. When a student leaves the school, remaining unallocated credit can be transferred to a sibling, donated to the school, or refunded via EFT.
- Cash  
Please place cash in a named, sealed envelope in the payment box in the front office. Please enclose the exact cash as change will not be given and any overpayment will be credited to the student's account as unallocated credit.

Please place all payments and/or permission slips in the white box provided in the school's front office. Throughout the year you may receive *Reminders of Unpaid Billing Items* from the school. We are required to send these reminders periodically and ask that you review your child's billing items and advise us of any discrepancy.