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## **Student Resource Scheme (SRS)**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the SRS.

If you have previously opted in to the SRS, your participation is assumed for the remainder of your child's enrolment, unless you inform the school otherwise by completing a new participation agreement form.

If you are a new parent to the school, this information will assist you in making a decision as to whether you wish to participate in the SRS.

### **What is provided by the Queensland Government?**

The Queensland Government supports children's education by funding instruction (teachers) facilities (school grounds and buildings internet) and administration (staff to run the school).

Funding for schools does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and many items used by the student in the classroom. The SRS helps parents to source these resources.

The school can purchase resources at lower rates due to its bulk-buying power. Resources such as textbooks or musical instruments that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families.

Participating in the SRS also offers a convenient way for parents to source the items that their child needs for school, and ensures that all students have access to the same standard of resources.

### **The types of resources that will be included are:**

All exercise books, stationery, art supplies, glue sticks, pencils, pens, crayons, whiteboard markers, sharpeners, erasers, scissors, photocopy paper, display folders etc. All online learning platforms for appropriate year levels.

**The Fee:**

Pallara State School student resource scheme (SRS) is an all-inclusive fee for each individual student for resources for the year.

If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions listed (on the attached form) you may choose not to participate. If that is the case, please complete a new Participation Agreement Form, indicating that you no longer wish to participate.

If you choose not to participate, you will be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for your child/ren.

**The 2021 fee will be \$130.00 per child and payment must be received by Friday 12 February 2021.**

All students must return the SRS Participation Agreement form (each child needs to have an individual form) signed by parents/guardians. Invoices will be issued once this form has been returned to the school office.

The preferred method of payment is BPoint, there is a link to the secured site to Bpoint on the bottom left hand side of the invoice.

**Release of resources:**

Student Resources will not be distributed to students until the full or first payment has been paid to the school. Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in extra-curricular activities until payments are made.

**Returned of hired resources:**

A repair or replacement cost will be charged to the parent for any items that are damaged or not returned. For example library books and instrumental music instruments.

**Financial Difficulty:**

If you would like to participate but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Sandra Johnstone our Business Manager ([sjohn303@eq.edu.au](mailto:sjohn303@eq.edu.au)) to arrange a confidential meeting to discuss options.