

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find attached a list of materials and requisites required for your child for 2018.

These are separated into two sections as required by the Department of Education: *Essential Education* items, and a *Voluntary Financial Contribution*. Throughout 2019 optional extra charges for camps, excursions, incursions, instrumental music, sport etc. will be incurred as those activities occur.

# For 2019 School Council has set the total payment at \$220 per child:

20th November, 2018

- Essential Education Items at \$170 (including any GST, where applicable). Payment of Essential Items is necessary to receive a book pack.
- Voluntary Contribution of \$50 per child. School Council believes in keeping costs to the minimum amount possible, while still providing the best educational outcomes for your children.

The Voluntary Contribution will go towards the **upgrade of school amenities and surrounds** as well as the general upkeep, additions to the school playground and shade cover. We would like to encourage all families to continue supporting the school with this contribution. For more information, please refer to our Parent Payments Policy on the school website or in Compass.

## How to Pay



**The preferred method of payment is through Compass.** A payment plan is available now through Compass – log in to the Compass Portal <u>in a web browser</u>. The payment plan has regular small payments from December through to the end of term 1 2019, however you can also elect to make a single payment through Compass.



You can also pay via EFTPOS or Cash at the office during the hours listed below.



Families that receive a CentreLink benefit may be eligble to pay through CentrePay. Please come to the office You will require your Centrelink Reference number (CRN) to apply.



### **Benefits of Bulk Purchase**

- Significantly reduced costs and higher-quality resources

   the school buys at a heavy discount through bulk
   purchase
- A higher standard of Information Technology, the Arts and our whole-school support programs for personalised learning and social competencies.
- Using the same size exercise books is important so that the lines are the right size for the relevant year levels and contain the right amount of pages. E.g.: normal exercise books are very difficult for Prep to 4 students to write in and they need larger line spaces
- Students find it is much easier when they have the identical items as other students in class

## **Collection Times**

#### School Requisites MUST BE COLLECTED from Hillsmeade Primary School Office.

Book Packs will be available for purchase from the office **every day from Monday December 3rd 2018** during regular office hours (8.30am – 4.00pm).

Additionally the office will be open for extra hours on these days:

 Monday
 3rd December 2018
 9.00am—6.00pm

 Wednesday
 5th December 2018
 9.00am—8.00pm

 Thursday
 24th January 2019
 9.00am—5.00pm

Children will need to bring all items back to school on the first school day (Thursday 31st January, 2019).

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