



## 2020 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)

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### Information for Parents/Carers

#### What is the Student Resources Scheme (SRS)?

The Student Resource Scheme (SRS), has been developed to provide parents with cost effective access to textbooks, resources, consumables and/or materials through reduced prices gained via the school's bulk purchasing processes. The SRS provides an entire package for the specified participation fee and is not available in parts.

Participation in the scheme is desirable, but no obligation is placed on a parent/carer to participate. A parent's decision to participate is based on consideration of the value afforded by the scheme.

#### Why join the SRS?

The advantages of bulk procurement by the school can provide significant savings for parents/carers. With regard to online software the school is able to negotiate significant discounts with some single programs retailing to parents for as much as \$99 per student. Furthermore, the financial burden on participating families is reduced by accessing class sets of textbooks that have been purchased by the school from SRS funds.

#### How does the SRS operate?

Lodgement of a completed SRS Participation Agreement Form with the school allows parents/carers to enter into an arrangement for the supply of the relevant materials for the duration of their child's enrolment at Edens Landing State School.

#### How much does the SRS cost?

The approved P&C SRS fee 2020 is \$200.00 per student.

#### What is included in the SRS?

The SRS includes an extensive range of educational resources that, in the absence of the scheme, would normally be purchased by the parent for the student's use at school for approx. \$753-\$945. The scheme includes printed material such as workbooks and worksheets, produced by the school in lieu of a prescribed textbook.

The following list is intended to be informative rather than definitive, and is provided as a guide only.

- Photocopied materials
- Textbooks and equipment (dictionary, thesaurus, atlas, calculator, etc.)
- Stationery
- Consumables
- Exercise books
- Art and craft supplies
- Online computer programs (Mathletics, Literacy Planet, Jolly Phonics, etc.)
- Purchased Ipad apps

#### What is not included in the SRS?

The Student Resource Scheme does not include:

- Pencil case, library bag, home reader bag
- Student internet access
- Resources funded by the state through grant funding to provide a core educational service
- Optional school activities such as excursions, camps, performances and graduation

#### What do I do if I wish to participate in the 2020 SRS?

1. Return the Participation Agreement Form to the **school office by Friday 18 October 2019** - no payment required at this time, however payment can be made anytime once the invoice is received
2. Pay the participation fee in accordance with the selected payment option on the Participation Agreement Form **by Friday 24 July 2020**

In circumstances of financial hardship, contact the Business Manager to discuss how your financial obligations can be met throughout the school year, or to negotiate alternative arrangements such as Centrepay that may be available to accommodate individual circumstances.

### **What if I want to participate in only part of the SRS?**

The SRS provides an entire package for the specified participation fee and due to Education Department policy is not available in parts.

### **What if I do not wish to participate in the 2020 SRS?**

Should you wish not to join the SRS please return the Participation Agreement Form marked "NO". Parents who choose not to participate in the SRS are responsible for providing their child with all items that would otherwise be provided by the scheme. School-produced resources will be available for separate purchase from the school for non-participants.

### **Do I need to sign a Participation Agreement Form each year?**

From 2020 the Participation Agreement Form is for the duration of a child's enrolment at this school. Parents can change their participation option in any following year by completing a new Participation Agreement Form before October of the year before the change is to take effect.

### **How can payment be made for the SRS?**

Payments can be made using one of the following:

- BPoint/QParents
- BPoint credit card payment by phone 1300 631 073
- In person through the finance window on Wednesday and Friday morning (cash or credit card) 8.15am—10.30am.
- Centrepay deductions arranged by speaking with the finance staff and via the MyGov website.

### **What if I have overdue 2019 SRS payments?**

In accordance with Item 20 of the SRS Terms and Conditions all outstanding 2019 SRS fees must be paid to be eligible to participate in the 2020 SRS.

### **What are the payment requirements for the SRS?**

2019 SRS invoices must be paid in full to participate in the 2020 SRS. Participation in the SRS requires a Participation Agreement Form to be completed, signed and returned to the school office by **Friday 18 October 2019**. Return of the form indicates a contract between the school and parent/carer to provide the materials and resources for duration of enrolment at this school. Payments can be made at any time however **full payment is required by Friday 24 July 2020**.

Before a student can be considered for participation in an optional school activity such as excursions/incursions, interschool sport, graduation or camp a parent who has joined the scheme is expected to have:

- Fully paid the Student Resource Scheme participation fee **or**
- Paid the Term instalments up-to-date
- Made regular on-going payments towards the Student Resource Scheme fee, as previously arranged with the Business Manager.

Parents experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to contact the Business Manager to discuss payment options.

An unpaid fee will be subject to the school's debt recovery processes.

### **What important dates do I need to note for the SRS?**

- **Friday 18 October 2019** - Participation Agreement Form to be completed and returned to the school office
- Where student's SRS payment has been receipted by the school before **Friday 24 January 2020**, SRS resources will be delivered to the classroom in the first two days of Term 1.

### **Term Instalment due dates:**

- Term 1 Friday 7 February;
- Term 2 Friday 1 May;
- Term 3 Friday 24 July

**Friday 24 July 2020** - final date for payment unless using Centrepay deductions.