

REDWOOD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL MATERIAL & SERVICES CHARGE

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Legislation has been enacted by the South Australian Parliament that enables schools to continue to set, collect and recover material and services charges. The charge has been verified by the Department for Education.

The School Governing Council approves the Material and Services Charge each year (GST free) for each fee-paying student attending for the full year.

Invoices are sent out at the beginning of each school year to each student registered to attend our school. Government-funded costs include capital works, teachers' salaries and various school grants.

School Card *Please note current income limits are issued at the beginning of each school year. If applicable, all applications can now be done online at:

<https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

Not all parents are aware that School Card is an option for families who qualify for financial assistance. School Card is a payment by the government to this school to cover the standard sum for your child's Material & Services charge. **In order to receive this concession, parents/caregivers who hold a Centrelink Reference Number *MUST* complete an application online, which is available from the Front Office (and includes guidelines). A new application form must be lodged each year.** Failure to do so will result in charges for your child/ren becoming due and payable in full. Your attention is drawn to the requirements and we strongly urge you to read the guidelines carefully to ensure compliance with them. **School Card applications for the current year should be lodged online as soon as possible for early processing (see above link).**

Payment

Our preferred payment method is via the **Qkr smartphone app**. Payment can also be made online using BPoint (<https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/redwoodparkprimary>) (**credit only**). The Payment Office is open from 8.30 to 9.15 am **Wednesdays only**. EFTPOS or cash only.

****Cash payments will no longer be accepted via the front office.**

Uniform

The uniform shop is open **the week before the first week of Term 1 on Monday 9.30 to 10.30am and Tuesday 1.00 to 2.00pm**. Ordering of uniforms can be made at any time via Qkr or the school website. Order forms are also available from the payment office or front office. Orders will be sent to your child's class once processed. Please allow 1-2 days for delivery.

Financial Difficulty

Please contact the School Business Manager to discuss any financial difficulty and for explanation of payment options available. **Any fees outstanding at the end of Term 2 (that have no prior arrangements made with the school) WILL be forwarded to Debt Collection.**

Ian Dickie
Principal
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