

# STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME – Parent Information Letter

Dear Parents/Guardians

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the School Student Resource Scheme (SRS). To provide parents with a **cost-effective** alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Kimberley Park State School operates a SRS.

## The SRS fee is:

Prep to Year 5	\$200*
Year 6	\$150 SRS + \$200 Laptop Hire Scheme*

Invoices are issued in November for the following school year. A minimum of \$100 must be received by 30 November. This enables the purchasing of stationery and resources for the start of the new school year. All SRS money needs to be paid by 31 March each year.

## For year 6, laptops are released to take home when the full \$200 hire scheme has been paid.

Once you join the scheme, your participation is assumed for the remainder of your child's enrolment at this school.

To join the scheme, please complete the participation agreement by ticking **YES** and return the completed form to the office. If you have previously joined the scheme (i.e. you have returned the participation form and been invoiced previously) but wish to withdraw, please complete a new participation agreement form, tick the **NO** box and return the completed form to the office for processing.

## What is provided by the 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 students' 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, musical instruments and laptops that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families. SRS also offers the same standard of resources.

## What does the Student Resource Scheme cover?

The SRS is an all-inclusive fee for each individual student for resources for the year. The overall amount is made up of four components:

### 1. **Student Consumable Resources for Learning (\$90 per student)**

Consumables such as: exercise books, art supplies, glue sticks, pencils, pens, crayons, whiteboard markers, sharpeners, erasers, scissors, photocopy paper, display folders & student materials for classroom projects etc.

### 2. **General Resources for Learning (\$40 per student)**

Decodable readers, big books, novels, classroom copies of text, classroom resources for literacy & numeracy activities, reproduce class workbooks & work sheets, student materials for classroom projects, subject resources i.e. art & craft supplies, science experiments and allows access to IT resources such as: floor robots, digital microscopes, etc. Prep – 5 allows access to shared class sets of iPads and Laptops

### 3. **Online Subscriptions (\$45 per student)**

All of our online learning platforms have a yearly subscription fee that is required to be paid.

### 4. **KP Specific Programs and Events (\$25 per student)**

This part of the resource scheme supports our extra-curricular programs that run throughout the year.

Please wait for an invoice to be issued before making payment by BPOINT or via the QParents app/website. Alternatively, payments may be made by instalments via Centrelink, if applicable (set up via Centrelink app).

Student resources will only be distributed to students once the full payment or minimum payment of \$100 has been paid. Parents with existing payment plans will continue with previous arrangements. 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 extracurricular activities until payments are made.

**Please be aware your signature on this agreement to participate in the scheme deems you legally liable for the debt.**

## Return of hired resources:

A repair or replacement cost will be charged to the parent for any items that are damaged or not returned i.e. library books, musical instruments, laptops.

## Financial difficulty:

If you would like to participate but are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact the office to discuss options for setting up a payment plan. All discussions are confidential.

\*Costs are correct as at 1 January 2024 and may be subject to change