



Voluntary Financial Contributions and Volunteering your time

Dear families

We are seeking your support regarding Voluntary Financial Contributions and Volunteering your time.

Voluntary Financial Contributions

Voluntary Financial Contributions from families play a vital role in enabling our school to enhance the range of educational programs available, and ensuring all children have access to up-to-date learning resources. The School Board determines the amounts of Voluntary Contributions requested each year.

The money raised through Voluntary Financial Contributions goes directly into specific curriculum budgets to benefit all children from preschool to year 6. The funding supports the purchase of classroom supplies, art and PE equipment, as well as resources for maths, English, science and IT lessons. The Voluntary Contributions also support the personalisation of the learning design to engage every learning, every day in a variety of ways.

For the period 1 January 2019- 31 December 2020, the School Board has proposed a one-off annual amount of:

\$70.00 for an individual student, or \$100.00 for a family of two or more students.

Payments can be made in full, or by instalments at any time through the front office. Records of individual contributions are confidential. Although we appreciate any support you can provide, your child will not be refused benefits or services if you choose not to contribute (this commitment is also reflected through *The Education Act 2004*).

Volunteering your time

There is always plenty happening in our school community and we ask that each family volunteers their time for a minimum of 2 hours each term. Help is appreciated for a range of events and initiatives such as fundraisers, student and sporting events, resource making and organisation. Please contact our Community Coordinator, Tammi O'Callaghan, for more information, to register for volunteer activities and add your hours to the completed volunteer hours register. Tammi may be contacted in person at the school or by phone on 6142 2800.

We sincerely thank you for any support you can provide – across both the Voluntary Financial Contributions and opportunities to volunteer your time.

Kind regards

Kate Woods and Rachael Turner
Principal and School Board Chair

100 Sutherland Crescent, Taylor ACT 2913
Phone: (02) 6142 2800

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Voluntary Financial Contributions – Frequently Asked Questions

<p>Is the proposed contribution in line with other ACT primary schools?</p>	<p>Our Voluntary Financial Contributions are in line with those requested by other ACT Government schools. Many schools set a base amount for one child, with increases for second or third children.</p>
<p>How can I pay my contributions?</p>	<p>Contributions may be paid by direct bank deposit, via the Quickweb link on the school website, or cash at the front office. Payments can be made at any time of the year.</p>
<p>What are the school's priorities for expenditure of the school fund, and what difference will the Voluntary Financial Contributions make?</p>	<p>Each year the Board estimates the expected Voluntary Financial Contributions and takes this into account when setting the budget expenditures. The Board has to manage many fixed costs for services and utilities. Voluntary Financial Contributions make a significant difference to the capacity to make funds available for such things as art and craft consumables and sporting equipment.</p>
<p>Do you have a fundraising target for the voluntary contributions?</p>	<p>This year the Board has set a target of aiming to enhance outdoor learning spaces to make them more engaging.</p>
<p>Can I contribute a smaller amount?</p>	<p>Yes. We understand that at times finding the full amount may be difficult, any contribution you are able to make will be appreciated.</p>
<p>Can I give my contribution in instalments?</p>	<p>Yes. If paying by instalments suits your circumstances better, we can accept contributions at any time during the year.</p>
<p>Will my contributions remain confidential?</p>	<p>All records of contributions remain confidential and are not disclosed to any other agency or person.</p>
<p>Can I contribute more than the requested amount?</p>	<p>Yes. If you feel able to contribute more than requested this very much appreciated.</p>



Margaret Hendry School 2019 Voluntary Contributions

Please find enclosed my voluntary contribution of:

- \$70.00 for a family with 1 child attending Margaret Hendry School
- \$100.00 for a family with 2 or more children at Margaret Hendry School
- Other amount \$ _____

Margaret Hendry School Voluntary Contributions

I (family member) _____ would like to voluntarily contribute \$ _____ to Margaret Hendry School through:

Cash Cheque Quickweb (Visa/Mastercard) Direct Payment

Quick Web Payments – <https://www.education.act.gov.au/Margaret-Hendry-School/payment>

Fee Code: **VOLCON**

Direct Payment details:

Account: Margaret Hendry School **BSB:** 032777 **A/C Number:** 002802

Receipt number: _____

A receipt will be issued separately to the Voluntary Contribution.

Reference on direct deposit required i.e. **child's name** M. Bloggs VOLCON

Students name: _____ Year level: _____

Signed _____ Date _____

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