



Peregian Springs State School 2025 Student Resource Scheme

Introduction:

The Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g. teachers
- Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

Funding does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Supply of these items is the responsibility of families.

To provide families with a cost-effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Peregian Springs State School operates an SRS under the guidance of the Department of Education and approval by the school's P&C Association. The aim of the scheme is to provide students with necessary classroom resources, associated learning materials and online learning resources at a financial saving to families. The scheme ensures that students have the resources required for them to engage with the curriculum for their education and saves families time and money in sourcing the prescribed materials elsewhere. Savings are gained through the school's bulk purchasing practices and hiring arrangements. The scheme is not used to raise funds for other purposes, and revenue collected through the scheme is applied only to the resources and operation of the scheme.

The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on Tuesday 15 October 2024.

Over the last 12 months we have been revising our processes in relation to the student resources used and the fees charged. In 2025, all students will be invoiced a core fee (SRS Core) which will cover resources that are used by all students in that year level. Additional invoices (SRS iPad Hire Trial and SRS Instrumental Music) will then be generated for nominated families.

SRS Participation:

The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources necessary to enhance their learning experience at school. The Department encourages families to participate in the scheme. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on families to participate. Participation is for the duration of your child's enrolment at the school.

Student is new to the school...

Families are required to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time. If no participation form is received, the school will take the view that the family has chosen to opt out of the SRS. The family is then required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year. A family can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

Continuing student at the school...

A family's participation or non-participation in the scheme will continue as per their previously completed Participation Agreement Form. A family can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

If a family has opted out of the scheme the family is required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year.

Resource Inclusions:

Resources included in the SRS are detailed in the SRS Resource List. This is a comprehensive list of all resources included in the scheme and their associated costs.

Type of Resources provided:

Owned	Used	Hired
These items are retained by the student and used as required.	These items are used/consumed in class by the student.	These items are hired to the student for their personal use for a specific period of time. Hired items must be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school. A repair or replacement cost may be charged to the parent for any hired items that are damaged or not returned
<p><i>Examples:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online subscriptions to programs – Mathseeds/Mathletics, Literacy Planet, Decodable Readers Australia and Edigital Library • Reference material, teacher prepared booklets, workbooks and worksheets 	<p><i>Examples:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooking ingredients • Art and science materials • Maker Ed supplies • Classroom Consumables: paint, art paper, craft materials, science consumables 	<p><i>Examples:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musical Instruments • Musical Folders and Sheet Music • Homework packs and readers • iPads

Costing Methodology:

Peregian Springs State Schol SRS is calculated based on:

SRS Core Fee	The core fee applicable to all students in the school is a flat fee. All families will be invoiced this amount at the beginning of Term 1.	\$100
SRS iPad Hire Trial Fee	The flat fee for students who opt in and are accepted to the iPad Hire Trial. Families accepted into the trial will be invoiced this amount at the beginning of Term 1 and devices will be loaned after payment.	\$100
SRS Instrumental Music Fee	There is a fee for students who opt in and are accepted to the Instrumental Music Program. Families with students participating in Instrumental Music will be invoiced at the beginning of Term 1 and if not paid by the end of Term 1 students may lose their place in the program.	\$80 - \$140

Please refer to SRS Core Resource List for the associated costings. (Appendix 1), SRS iPad Hire Trial Information (Appendix 2) and SRS Instrumental Music Fee (Appendix 3).

Book List:

Families of students are directly responsible for providing stationery and other items for their children whilst attending school and these are itemised on the Year Level Book List. These are to be purchased by families prior to the first day of school in 2025 and are not part of the SRS.

Financial Hardship:

Families experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss available options in confidence.

Payment Arrangement:

Several payment options including a single payment for the full year's fee or term instalments are available. An instalment plan can also be negotiated with the school. Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure. Only as a last resort, a Principal may use discretion to exclude a student from optional, non-curricular activities where a parent has an outstanding debt with the school. (<https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/debt-management-procedure>).

Please select the preferred payment options:

Payment options	Instalments	Amounts
1. A single payment for the full year's fees	Instalment 1: 10 February 2025	SRS Core Fee - \$100 SRS iPad Hire Trial Fee - \$100 SRS Instrumental Music Fee - \$80 - \$140
2. Term instalments (paid over the first 3 terms)	Instalment 1: 10 February 2025 Instalment 2: 5 May 2025 Instalment 3: 28 July 2025	SRS Core Fee - \$40 SRS Core Fee - \$40 SRS Core Fee - \$20
3. An instalment plan as negotiated with the school		

(<https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/debt-management-procedure>).

Payment Method:

SRS payments can be made by QParents/BPOINT, BPAY, EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card), Cheque, Cash and Centrepay.

- Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card.
- When paying by BPOINT (link at the bottom of your emailed invoice), please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.
- Centrepay Deductions are available to pay the SRS fees. Use Centrepay to make regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. Centrepay is a voluntary and easy payment option available to Centrelink customers. Go to humanservices.gov.au/centrepay for more information on how to set up your Centrepay deductions.

Items specifically excluded from the scheme:

- Year Level Book List (Lists can be found on the school website)
- Swimming /Surf Skills program – lessons provided by qualified instructors
- School Performances, Writers' Festival, NAIDOC Week and Performing Arts Performance
- School activities such as school incursions, excursions and camps
- State, Regional, District Sporting Trials

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with our Business Manager by calling 5351 2222.

If you do not wish to participate in the Student Resource Scheme you will be required to provide items from the lists in Appendix 1

Appendix 1 - SRS Core Resource List

Prep – Year 2 Student Resource Scheme List			
Learning Area	Items	Item Type	Approximate Cost
English	Alphabet/Phonics/Learning Goals/ Word charts	Owned	\$7.50
	Hire of Home Reading Packs	Hired	\$20.00
	Hire of Class Reading Resources	Hired	\$20.00
Mathematics	Printed reference materials (number cards/number facts charts/ Problem Solving Charts)	Owned	\$7.50
Online Annual Subscriptions (English / Maths)	Literacy Planet	Owned	\$12.00
	Mathseeds	Owned	\$12.00
	Decodable Readers Australia	Owned	\$10.00
	SeeSaw	Owned	\$ 12.00
	Numbots	Owned	\$1.50
Technologies	Maker Ed Consumables, including:		
	Maker Ed Trolley Resources	Used	\$5.00
	Roll of Masking Tape	Used	\$4.00
	Roll of Sticky Tape	Used	\$2.50
	PVA glue	Used	\$5.50
The Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art • Music • Drama • Music • Media 	<i>Visual Arts:</i>		
	25 sheets of coloured card	Used	\$5.00
	25 sheets of coloured paper	Used	\$4.50
	10 sheets of white card 180 gsm	Used	\$5.00
	10 sheets of black card 180 gsm	Used	\$5.00
	Packet of Pipe cleaners	Used	\$3.00
	Packet of Pom Poms	Used	\$3.00
	180 small wooden sticks	Used	\$3.00
	Packet of Feathers	Used	\$3.00
	Packet of Goggly Eyes	Used	\$3.00
	Coloured Crepe Paper (blue, red, yellow, green)	Used	\$4.00
	Coloured Cellophane (Blue, clear, green,)	Used	\$6.00
	Acrylic Paint (White, black, red, yellow, blue, green)	Used	\$17.00
	Water Colour Paint (small palette)	Used	\$7.00
	Oil Pastels	Used	\$4.00
	Air Dried Clay	Used	\$7.00
	Glitter Glue	Used	\$5.00
Wool or String (2 different colours)	Used	\$5.00	
Painting Canvas	Used	\$5.00	
Science	Science Consumables for specific science experiments	Used	\$5.00
Miscellaneous Consumables for all subject areas.	Playdough	Used	\$5.00
	Face paint (school events)	Used	\$3.00
	Cooking Ingredients	Used	\$5.00
Total Value			\$217
Prep – Year 2 SRS Payment			\$100

Year 3 – Year 6 Student Resource Scheme List				
Learning Area	Items	Item Type	Approximate Cost	
English	Hire of Class Reading Resources	Hired	\$20.00	
	Printed reference materials (Extracts, poems, song lyrics)	Owned	\$7.50	
Mathematics	Printed reference materials (number cards/number facts charts/ Problem Solving Charts)	Owned	\$7.50	
Online Annual Subscriptions (English / Maths)	Literacy Planet	Owned	\$12.00	
	Mathletics	Owned	\$12.00	
	EDigital Library	Owned	\$2.00	
	SeeSaw	Owned	\$12.00	
	Timetables Rockstars	Owned	\$2.00	
Technologies	Maker Ed Consumables, including:			
	Maker Ed Trolley Resources	Used	\$5.00	
	Roll of Masking Tape	Used	\$4.00	
	Roll of Sticky Tap	Used	\$2.50	
	PVA glue	Used	\$5.50	
The Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art • Music • Drama • Music • Media 	<i>Visual Arts:</i>			
		25 sheets of coloured card	Used	\$5.00
		25 sheets of coloured paper	Used	\$4.50
		10 sheets of white card 180 gsm	Used	\$5.00
		10 sheets of black card 180 gsm	Used	\$5.00
		Speciality Paper (Tissue, Tracing, Crepe and Cellophane)	Used	\$5.00
			Used	\$3.00
		180 small wooden sticks	Used	\$17.00
		Acrylic Paint (White, black, red, yellow, blue, green)	Used	\$7.00
		Water Colour Paint (small palette)	Used	\$4.00
		Oil Pastels	Used	\$7.00
		Air Dried Clay	Used	\$5.00
		Wool or String (2 different colours)	Used	\$5.00
		Painting Canvas	Used	\$10.00
		Charcoal	Used	\$10.00
	Pastel Chalk	Used	\$5.00	
	Speciality Markers			
HASS	Printed reference materials (maps, flags, information sources, diaries, graphs)	Owned	\$5.50	
Science	Science Consumables for specific science experiments	Used	\$5.00	
Miscellaneous Consumables for all subject areas.	Cooking Ingredients	Used	\$5.00	
Total Value			\$200	
Year 3 – 6 SRS Payment			\$100	



Peregrian Springs State School Student Resource Scheme - iPad Hire

Overview

Peregrian Springs State School is committed to providing students with access to the best learning tools, including integrated iPads, to enrich the educational experience. As an Apple Distinguished School, our teachers are proficient in integrating iPads into the learning process, contributing to the success of the longstanding BYO iPad program at our school.

For the year 2025, we are offering various pathways of access for families, including the option to hire an iPad directly from the school for the academic year. The iPad hire scheme ensures that students have the necessary resources to engage effectively with the curriculum and provides an option for families concerned about investing in their own device.

Important Links:

- [mLearning Handbook](#)
- [Expression of Interest for 2025 iPad Hire Trial](#)
- [Expression to continue with the 2025 iPad hire from 2024](#)
- [Participant Agreement Form](#)
- [ICT Parent and Student Agreement](#)
- [mLearning Website](#)

Participation in the 2025 SRS iPad Hire Program

Extending the trial into 2025, families interested in participation need to complete the following steps and associated forms:

1. Families are required to submit an **Expression of Interest Form** for each individual student. This will be assessed by the school and families notified of outcome.
2. When accepted to the **2025 SRS iPad Hire Program**, families will need to complete the PSSS iPad loan agreement form.
3. School will **invoice families** early in 2025 for the \$100 hire fee or as they are accepted throughout 2025.
4. When families complete:
 - a. **full payment,**
 - b. **PSSS ICT Agreement**
 - c. **Online Consent, iPads** will be released for student to take home. This can begin occurring early Term 1.
5. Students will complete an **iPad contract** as they are issued their device outlining their responsibilities.

2025 SRS iPad Hire Trial Program Resource Inclusion – Equipment Provided

Resource	Approximate Cost
iPad Gen 8, 9 or 10 64GB	\$607.91
Power Adapter (for home use)	\$24.61
Charging USB cable (for home use)	\$75.33
Software	\$12.00
Sturdy Case	\$59.00
Tempered Glass Protector	\$12.99
Total	\$791.84

+ The above list of items is all included and in this agreement will collectively be referred to as 'the iPad' or device.

Benefits of the iPad Hire Trial

The purpose of the iPad hire scheme is to provide families with a cost-effective alternative to purchasing an iPad for student use. The school offers access to departmental-owned iPads purchased at reduced prices, facilitating safe connections to the department network with pre-installed Apps. The trial revenue supports the operation of the iPad hire without being used for other purposes.

SRS iPad Hire Program Terms and Conditions

1. It is understood that the iPad is under a hire (loan) agreement and the iPad remains the property of the school. The **SRS iPad Hire Program** enables families to enter into an agreement with the school to provide the student with the use of a school iPad for an annual participation fee of \$100. In exchange for complying with the agreement, the student can use the school iPad for educational use at school and home in conjunction with PSSS ICT Student and Parent Agreement and Online Consent. Families must comply with the above-mentioned agreements and ensure the student complies in relation to use of the iPad at the school and outside the school.
2. iPads are loaned for use to an individual student and should not be accessed by other students at school or children at home. Parents, Teachers and IT technicians are able to access the device to assist students and monitor use.
3. **Each iPad will be:**
 - able to complete latest updates. The iPad being provided to the student may not be new and may have been used before. This is because the iPad have an expected life of approximately 4 years.
 - enrolled in school Managed Device Management System. The school will manage certain screentime restrictions such as device downtime, app limits and content and privacy restrictions.
 - able to be connected to school networks and have filtered email and able to be used at home and school for student learning, including the ability to connect to home Wi-Fi networks. If Internet access at home occurs through private internet providers and is unfiltered, it is the family's responsibility to monitor student internet usage. The school accepts no responsibility for consequences of internet access outside the school and will seek to enforce any breach of policy found on a departmental owned iPad regardless of whether the breach was done at home or school.
 - ready with year level apps installed for student use. Students will be able to request additional apps through written contact with the IT team. The App store will not be available for students.
 - hired from early Term 1 until late Term 4. All data will be wiped annually at the completion of a school year. Students wanting to retain data will need to do this before returning the device.
 - returned to the school if student is going on extended planned leave of more than 5 days.
4. **Students and families are responsible for device care and security, including the following:**
 - iPads are to be brought to school every day and stored in the classroom during the school day. Students will be responsible for the iPad at all times during school hours. The school will have available space for secure storage when the device is not in use.
 - Students are responsible for the safe transit of the iPad to and from school.
 - iPad to be used in areas free from drink or food.
 - Cables should be inserted and removed carefully.
 - iPad is fully charged at the start of each day.
 - iPad is left in a safe place where it won't fall or be stood on.
 - The case must remain on the iPad at all times. If the case needs removing for any reason, please notify a school technician.
 - Care is taken to protect the screen at all times.
 - Keeping all passcodes and passwords secure.
 - Back-up data securely by using Microsoft Onedrive. Students will not have access to Apple iCloud.
 - Students must not 'personalise;' their school iPads in any way by using felt pens, stickers or other marks. iPads will be identified as belonging to a particular student in a manner determined by the school. Such identification is not to be tampered with.
 - Students can personalise accessibility functions of the iPad.
5. **Connection to the Internet:**
 - The school agrees to provide the iPad with safe access to the school network and resources to the student from the date of agreement and the provision continues until the end of the agreement.
 - Students should be aware that all use of internet and online communication services can be audited and traced. All material on the device is subject to audit by authorised school staff. If at any stage. There is a police request, the school may be required to provide the authorities with access to the device and personal holdings associated with its use.
 - The iPad will have the ability to connect to home Wi-Fi networks, families will need to contact their internet provider if they need assistance with this. If Internet access at

home occurs through private internet providers and is unfiltered, it is the family's responsibility to monitor student internet usage. The school accepts no responsibility for consequences of internet access outside the school and will seek to enforce any breach of policy found on a departmental owned iPad regardless of whether the breach was done at home or school.

- No web filtering system can be 100% effective and students and families should notify the school as soon as possible if an unsuitable website is accessible when using the iPad so that the school can take appropriate action.

6. Repair and Maintenance:

- The family or student must immediately return the school iPad to the school if they suspect the hardware (e.g. iPad or accessories) or software is or may be faulty.
- The family must not arrange or allow any repair or maintenance work to be carried out on the school iPad.
- Should the iPad require repairs or maintenance, a replacement iPad may be made available while the device is being repaired by the school.
- iPads must be returned the following day if requested by a staff member for updates or repairs. iPads will be deemed lost if not returned within seven days after a requested return.

7. Loss or damage

- The iPad provided for student use through the scheme shall be kept in good condition by the student.
- The family must immediately notify the school if the school iPad is damaged, lost or stolen. If the iPad is stolen, the family must report this to the police as soon as possible. The family must obtain from Queensland Police a Crime Number and the name of the investigating officer and provide this to the school.
- Where an issued iPad is lost or negligently damaged, families may be responsible for payment to the scheme of the full (or partial) replacement cost of the item as per the schedule below.
- Where an item is not returned, the family will be responsible for payment for the replacement for the cost of the item
- The iPad is to be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the agreement. If you cease to be enrolled for any reason before completing the agreement period, you must return the iPad before leaving the school.

Loss or Damage Cost	
Damage	Approximate Cost
Loss of whole device or irreparable damage (including water damage)	Whole cost of replacement
Loss of case, cable power adapter	Whole cost of replacement.
Accidental damage	\$60 (first time) \$120 (subsequent times)
Wilful and malicious damage	Replacement cost or full cost of quoted repair cost.

8. Misuse and breaches

- Students should be aware that they are responsible for their actions while using the iPad and breaches to the iPad trial terms of condition, PSSS Student Code of Conduct or PSSS ICT Agreement will have consequences. Consequences may include the right to restrict or remove access to school owned iPad and loss of school network access.

Acceptance of Agreement

By completing the 2025 **SRS iPad Hire Trial Program forms**. The Parent/Guardian is acknowledging they understand and accept the Terms and Conditions of this agreement.



Peregrian Springs State School Student Resource Scheme - Instrumental Music

Overview

The Department of Education Instrumental Music Program offers students the opportunity to learn a string instrument from Year 3 or a brass/woodwind/percussion instrument from Year 4. Students who enrol in the Instrumental Music Program are expected to commit to the program for a minimum of one year. Students receive a weekly lesson of 30 minutes duration during class time and, as the year progresses, will also be invited to join one of the school ensembles, which rehearse before school. *Weekly attendance at both lessons and ensemble, alongside completing home practice tasks are all key components of the Instrumental Music Curriculum and this time commitment should be considered carefully when applying for a place in the program.* Please be aware that, once enrolled in either the Strings Program or the Brass/Woodwind/Percussion program, it is expected that students continue with their studies on the instrument allocated to them. Students that are interested in learning a brass, woodwind or percussion instrument should wait until Year 4 to commence their studies, rather than starting on a string instrument in Year 3 and changing in Year 4.

Participation in the 2025 Instrumental Music Program

1. New students to the program will need to complete an expression of interest and progress through the recruitment process. There are a number of steps involved in the recruitment process:
 - Selmer Aptitude Test
 - Consultation with Performing Arts teachers
 - Checklist from Class teachers, including academic ability, co-operation, reliability, ability to work independently and family support.
 - Assessment of physical suitability by instrumental Teachers
 - Pitch and Timbre preference assessment
2. **Students will be matched to an instrument**
3. School will **invoice families** early in 2025 for SRS Instrumental Music ready for payment
4. When families complete **full payment** for SRS Instrumental Music, resources and instruments will be released for student to take home.

2025 SRS Instrumental Music Program Resource Inclusion and Equipment Provided

The SRS Instrumental Music covers the cost of photocopying, new music and maintenance and repair of school instruments.

SRS Instrumental Music	Cost
Students with their own instrument	\$80
Students who are hiring a school owned instrument	\$140

Items specifically excluded from the scheme:

- Any tutor books - approximately \$25 - \$35
- Consumable items (reeds/cork grease/valve oil/strings/rosin) as applicable to their instrument.

Loan Period of Particular Instruments

The school owns a limited number of instruments which will be hired to selected applicants – mainly for one year only.

After this time, you will be asked to supply an instrument if you wish for your child to continue their tuition.

Students

who learn larger very expensive instruments may have the option to hire these from the school for the duration of their tuition. Refer to the table below:

Instrument	Loan Period	Video Demonstration/Additional Information
Violin	Students provide own instrument	https://vimeo.com/136824666

Viola	Students provide own instrument	https://vimeo.com/136824667
Cello	2 years	https://vimeo.com/136824600
Double Bass	Up to 4 years	https://vimeo.com/136823507
Flute	1 year	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Flute.mp4
Oboe	At least 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Oboe.mp4
Clarinet	1 year	https://www.dallassymphony.org/community-education/dso-kids/listen-watch/instruments/clarinet/
Alto Saxophone	1 year	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Saxophone.mp4
Tenor Saxophone	Up to 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Saxophone.mp4
Trumpet	1 year	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Trumpet.mp4
French Horn	At least 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/French-Horn-Shortened.mp4
Trombone	1 year	https://www.dallassymphony.org/community-education/dso-kids/listen-watch/instruments/trombone/
Euphonium	At least 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Euphonium-Shortened.mp4
Tuba	At least 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Tuba.mp4
Percussion	1 year	https://www.dallassymphony.org/community-education/dso-kids/listen-watch/instruments/xylophone/ https://www.dallassymphony.org/community-education/dso-kids/listen-watch/instruments/snare-drum/
Bassoon	At least 3 years	https://nottelmannmusic.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Bassoon.mp4

Loss or damage

Any instrument provided for student use through the scheme shall be kept in good condition by the student. The school should be notified immediately of the loss or negligent damage to, or caused by, any issued instrument.

Where an issued instrument is lost or negligently damaged, parents/guardians may be responsible for payment to the scheme of the full (or partial) replacement cost of the item as per the schedule below. The family must immediately notify the school if the instrument is damaged, lost or stolen. If the school instrument is stolen, the family must report this to the Police as soon as possible. The family must obtain from Queensland Police a Crime Number and the name of the investigating officer and provide this to the school.

Loss or Damage Cost	
Damage	Approximate Cost
Loss of Instrument or irreparable damage (including water damage)	Whole cost of replacement
Accidental damage or minor repair	Repair cost
Tuning and annual cleaning	(Included in SRS Fee)

Return of hired Resources:

A repair or replacement cost will be charged to the parent for any items that are damaged or not returned

Acceptance of Agreement

By completing the **2025 SRS Instrumental Music Program forms**. The Parent/Guardian is acknowledging they understand and accept the Terms and Conditions of this agreement.

Appendix 4 – Frequently Asked Questions

Frequently asked questions

Does the Student Resource Scheme include my child's stationery requirements?

Families are required to provide resources in two ways:

- 1) The Book List and
- 2) The Student Resource Scheme.

All students will supply their own personal stationery items as outlined in the year level Book List.

Isn't education free?

All schools operate within the policy and guidelines of the Department of Education and in accordance with section 51 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. DoE encourages schools to operate a scheme as a service to parents. Whilst schools receive funding from the government to operate the school, student resource expenses extend beyond the budget. Families therefore are asked to support their child's learning by either providing the resource item itself or participating in the scheme.

Why pay 2025 Book list and Student Resource Scheme Fees by January 2025?

We ask for all families to pay fees at the start of the 2025 school year, so that student learning materials and books may be purchased early and discounts secured, through early payment and bulk ordering. Participants will then have the opportunity of accessing their resources when they commence school. Payment in instalments or via a payment plan is available for families.

Do I have to participate in the Student Resource Scheme?

Participation in the scheme is voluntary. If families choose not to participate in the scheme they will be asked to provide the resources listed in the scheme for their child when required throughout the year. A list for your child's year level is available in Appendix 1.

What happens if I am experiencing financial difficulty?

Anyone experiencing financial difficulty at this time and wishing to pay the Student Resource Scheme over an extended time period should phone the school and speak with our Business Manager on 5351 2222. It is our intention to encourage all families to join the scheme and enjoy its benefits. Please contact the school to make an appointment with the Principal or Business Manager should you have any questions regarding the scheme.

What is excluded from the SRS?

There are guidelines for schools on what is not allowed to be included, for example: excursions, competitions, first aid supplies, safety equipment, internet costs or any resource needed for assessment. In addition, all resources included in a SRS must be able to be purchased by a family choosing not to participate in the scheme.

How much do I need to pay to participate in the SRS?

Each school, in consultation with their P&C Association, determines the resources that will be included in the SRS, and the fees that will be charged for those resources. The fees are based upon the value of the items in the scheme, this includes items that are:

- owned (generally equal to the cost for the school to purchase)
- used in class (as an average cost of resourcing the class) and
- hired to the students (based upon the expected life of the item).

Where can I gain more information?

For the Student Resource Scheme (SRS) Procedure visit: <https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/student-resource-scheme-srs-procedure>

