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Weipa Campus

Dear Parents/Guardians

2026 STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME - YEAR 4

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the SRS. If you have previously opted in to the SRS your participation is assumed for the remainder of your child's enrolment, unless you inform the school otherwise by completing a new participation agreement form. If you are a new parent to the school, this information will assist you in making a decision as to whether you wish to participate in the SRS.

What is provided by the Queensland Government?

The Queensland Government supports children's education by providing funding for instruction (teachers), facilities (school grounds and buildings, internet), and administration (staff to run the school). Funding for schools does not extend to individual student 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 or musical instruments that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families. Participating in the SRS also offers a convenient way for parents to source the items that their child needs for school, and ensures that all students have access to the same standard of resources.

The types of resources that will be included are:

- > Owned by the student e.g. student diary once provided, these items are retained by the student and used at their discretion.
- ➤ **Hired to the student** for a specific duration of time e.g. textbooks or musical instruments—these items will need to be returned to the school in reasonable condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school.
- ➤ **Used in class** e.g. stationery, timber, material, workbooks these items will be used in class. Finished products that are created from these resources will generally come home with the student.

The Fee

The student resource scheme is calculated by compiling a list of daily consumables used by students and the cost of providing enhanced hands-on learning in curriculum areas, while also investigating affordable options to minimise costs without reducing service delivery.

If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions (over the page), you may choose not to participate in the SRS. If that is the case, please complete a Participation Agreement Form, indicating that you no longer wish to participate. If you choose not to participate, you will be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for the student.

Please be aware that there may be two lines of charges on your invoice indicating the GST inclusive and GST exclusive fees depending on the resources supplied by the SRS.

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Cost

Cost of the SRS

\$240.00

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. If you have opted to pay the SRS by term instalments, you will receive an invoice for the full amount. Equal instalments of \$80.00 will be due in Week 5 of Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the <u>department's Debt Management Procedure</u> and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in non-curricular activities until payment is made.

Payment Method

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

- Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card. Payment will be directed from the QParents portal to BPOINT where relevant outstanding invoice information may be selected.
- When paying by BPOINT, 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.

Financial Difficulty

If you would like to participate, but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss options. Any information that you provide will be confidential.

Release of Resources

Resources will not be distributed until the full or first payment has been paid to the school. Any 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 extra-curricular activities until payments are made.

Return of Hired Resources

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

Contact Us

If you have any queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with:

Amanda Allender, Associate Principal Primary Email: admin@westerncapecollege.eq.edu.au

Phone: 07 4090 6444

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The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of two components. These are general items and subject specific costs. The tables below detail these SRS inclusions.

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
General Items	Reproduced class workbooks, worksheets and teacher prepared material which complement and/or substitute textbooks	Owned	\$50.00	\$35.00
	Consumable student stationery, pencils, exercise books, markers, rubbers, rulers, show me boards	Owned	\$204.00	\$104.00
Technology subscription	eLearning platforms individual subscriptions to IT software - Study Ladder	Used	\$129.00	\$15.00
Grand Total			\$383.00	\$154.00

Subject	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
Science			\$20.00	\$10.00
	Equipment & resources to support science activities- soil, ochre, small plastic containers, glue, paddle pop sticks, marbles, cardboard, elastic bands, eggs	Used	\$20.00	\$10.00
Numeracy	· •		\$223.00	\$9.00
	Core curriculum learning consumables to support numeracy activities through practical lessons - probability kit: dice large and small, spinners, 2 sided counters	Used	\$143.00	\$5.00
	Core curriculum learning consumables to support numeracy activities through practical lessons - measurement- scales 2kg and 5kg, measuring tape	Used	\$80.00	\$4.00
Physical education			\$120.00	\$8.00
	Resources & consumables used to enhance curriculum delivery through practical lessons- supersoft volleyball	Hired	\$50.00	\$4.00

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	Resources & consumables used to enhance curriculum delivery through practical lessons- baseball kit- glove, ball	Hired	\$70.00	\$4.00
Literacy			\$390.00	\$20.00
	Reading books - at student level (Approx. \$10.00 per book x 39 weeks)	Hired	\$390.00	\$20.00
Technologies			\$330.00	\$15.00
	Digital and design - 1 Sphero	Used	\$330.00	\$15.00
Social and Emotional Programs			\$20.00	\$15.00
	Positive programs to enhance student culture and wellbeing - LaSeR prizes, Rewards Days	Used	\$20.00	\$15.00
The Arts			\$180.00	\$9.00
	Visual Arts: General art supplies (consumables) - clay, clay tools, clay mat.	Used	\$30.00	\$4.00
	Dance / Drama: Consumable resources to enhance curriculum deliver through practical lessons. Inspiration and prompt resourcescostumes and props	Hired	\$50.00	\$2.00
	Music: Equipment & resources to enhance music- fiction and non fiction texts for stimulus. 5 texts per class	Used	\$100.00	\$3.00