



## Southport State School Student Resource Scheme (SRS)

Dear Parents and Carers

The Student Resource Scheme offers parents an economical alternative to the purchase of school resources, learning resources and books to enhance and maximise resources to enhance student outcomes. This scheme creates an opportunity for every family to support the learning of their children in the most economical manner.

Whilst participation in this scheme is not compulsory, parents are encouraged to commit to this scheme to allow our school to provide high quality learning resources for our students. **Parents/carers who do not wish to participate in the scheme are responsible for providing their child with all the items that would otherwise be provided to the student by the scheme as detailed on the SRS breakdown.**

### POLICY AND GUIDELINES

The Student Resource Scheme (SRS) operates in accordance with section 51 of the education (General Provisions) Act 2006 and is endorsed annually by the school's P&C Association.

The school operates the SRS to reduce the costs of textbooks, other learning materials and to provide quality learning resources to students.

The SRS has been established by Southport State School and is overseen by the School's Finance Committee.

Items Provided by the Scheme	Items Specifically Excluded from the Scheme
ICT equipment, digital cameras, video cameras and headsets.  Class sets of workbooks, worksheets, reference materials and teacher prepared booklets.  Class sets of writing and drawing materials, stationery and project materials.  Materials where the instruction is extended through providing practical learning experiences involving consumables such as cooking ingredients, art and science materials  Student reference materials such as books, DVDs and software.	Year level Book Lists  Swimming program – lessons provided by qualified instructors.  School activities such as excursions, camps, performances and enrichment activities.  Regional/District Sporting Trials (if applicable)  Competitions – e.g. Science, Maths, Writing  Year 6 Graduation activities  Instrumental Music Program – fee and instrument hire if participating.

Student Resource Scheme Breakdown	
Resources, class sets, reading books and home readers	\$30
Computer software access and ICT consumables	\$40
Photocopying of Teacher prepared worksheets and research material	\$10
Curriculum enhanced resources – Art, Science, Mathematics, Health and Physical Education	\$30
Participation in 3 incursions Term 1 Writing Term 2 The Arts Term 3 Science	\$20
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$130</b>

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## PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHEME

All parents/carers regardless of whether they wish to join the scheme or not, will need to sign the application form indicating that they have read the terms and conditions outlined in this document and understand the contract conditions on the Participation Form.

If a student leaves the school during the school year, a pro-rata refund will be made on the basis of a 40 week year. As per DETE policy and guidelines FNM-PR-018: Student Resource Scheme, before a student can be considered for participation in an optional school activity, a parent who has joined the scheme is expected to have:

- Fully paid the student resource scheme participation fee or
- Paid the student resource scheme participation up to and including the term in which the school activity takes place or
- Made regular on-going payments towards the student resource scheme annual participation fee, as previously arranged with the Principal or Business Services manager.

## NON PAYMENT

While it is voluntary to join the Student Resource Scheme, participating parents/carers will enter into an agreement to pay certain fees in exchange for the use of books and resources. There is therefore an obligation on the participants to make these payments or provide their own books and resources. Anyone who joins the scheme but fails to pay the full contribution may be excluded from the scheme at the discretion of the Principal.

## NON PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHEME

It is the responsibility of non-participants of the scheme to purchase all the books and resources provided by the scheme by the first day of the school year. To acquire these items privately it can cost in excess of \$300. (e.g. Athletics \$90, Reading Eggs \$90, Incursions \$12 per event)

## PAYMENT METHODS

Parents are asked to indicate on the Application Form the preferred method of payment. Payments can be made by:

**Cash** Eftpos (credit or debit card)

### Electronic Funds Transfer

**24/7 Internet Banking is our preferred Method of Payment**

BSB: 064-430  
Account: 00090251  
Account Name: Southport SS General A/C  
Amount: **\$ 130.00**  
Reference: **Student Name & 2015 SRS**  
*If no code is supplied, payments will be applied to the oldest debt for that child.*

**Direct Debit** from Centrelink.

A receipt will be provided for each of these payment methods with the exception of the automatic Centrelink deduction. However, parents will receive a statement from Centrelink indicating that the transfer of funds has occurred. Please keep receipts on file.

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

**Option 1:** Full payment prior to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015 or upon enrolment. This option will entitle parents to a discount of \$10 per child. If parents have more than 2 children enrolled at Southport State School, participation fees for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent children will be \$110.

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**Option 2:** Instalments per child due by the end of the second week of each term:

1 <sup>st</sup> instalment –Term 1 due 29/01/2015	\$45
2 <sup>nd</sup> instalment - Term 2 due 30/4/2015	\$45
3 <sup>rd</sup> instalment –Term 3 due 24/7/2015.	\$40

**Option 3:** Centrelink Deductions, please make an appointment with the Business Services Manager via the office or call 07 55319111.

Negotiated individual payment plans are available for anyone experiencing financial difficulty at the time and wishing to pay the fees over an extended period should phone the school to arrange an appointment with the Business Services Manager.

It is our intention to encourage all families to join the Scheme and enjoy the benefits to your child.

We ask for the Student Resource Scheme payment before the start of the next school year so that student learning materials and books may be purchased early and discounts secured, through early payment and bulk ordering.

**NB: Parents who do not wish to participate in the Student Resource Scheme will be required to provide items from the list above for their child throughout the school year as directed by the classroom teacher. This is not an exhaustive list and additional items may be required.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH PAYMENT**

Please contact the office if you would like to discuss this Student Resource Scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Sevil Aldas  
Principal

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Ms Janine Allan  
P&C President

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