

STUDENT RESOURCES SCHEME

Year 8 - \$295

Dear Parents/Guardians,

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 scheme is designed to offset the cost to you of the provision of educational resources associated with your child's education. These resources enhance your child's educational experience and assist them to fully engage with the curriculum.

If you wish to individually provide all of resources included in the SRS (please refer to over the page), you may choose not to participate in the SRS. If that is the case, please complete a new Participation Agreement Form, indicating that you no longer wish to participate. If you choose not to participate, you will then be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for your student. Please note that participating in the SRS or individually providing all of the resources is an important component of the College's Standards for Success.

If you have opted to pay the SRS by term instalments you will receive an invoice for the full amount and term instalments of \$73.75 will be due by the end of week 1 each term.

The TRA

The Department of Education provides a Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to assist parents with the cost of textbooks and other education resources for eligible Years 7 to 12 students.

For those students who are eligible to receive the TRA, the TRA will be applied to reduce the cost of participation as shown in the table below. Thus the SRS invoice you receive will be the full cost of participation in the SRS minus the TRA already held at the school.

The TRA for Yrs 7-10 is \$130, and is applied to the SRS cost to reduce the invoiced amount.

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 .

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:

Pru Dickey on 39008333 or accounts@whiteshillsc.eq.edu.au

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of two components. The components are general items and resources for core and elective subjects. The tables below detail the SRS inclusions for these components.

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
General Items	Administration of scheme	Hired	\$12.00	\$12.00
	Student Diary	Owned	\$15.00	\$15.00
	Student ID card	Owned	\$8.00	\$8.00
	Welfare consumables - RUC	Used	\$15.00	\$15.00
	Student printing/ photocopy	Used	\$5.00	\$5.00
	Wednesday sport costs	Used	\$200.00	\$7.00
Grand Total			\$255.00	\$62.00

Subject	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
English			\$352.25	\$68.00
	Peculiar Children	Hired	\$17.50	\$7.00
	The Rabbits by John Marsden, Sean Tan	Hired	\$14.75	\$3.50
	DVD's - Rabbit Proof fence, Noah & Saskia, Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children.	Hired	\$75.00	\$5.50
	Clickview online membership	Hired	\$160.00	\$15.00
	Dictionary & Thesaurus - class sets	Hired	\$50.00	\$2.00
	papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$35.00	\$35.00
Maths			\$1,133.50	\$166.80
	Pearson Mathematics 8: Student Book + Pearson eBook (Second Edition)	Hired	\$59.50	\$23.80
	In class resources - per student, compasses, graph paper, protractor etc	Hired	\$950.00	\$19.00
	Mathletics license	Used	\$99.00	\$99.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$25.00	\$25.00
Science			\$215.95	\$53.00
	Pearson Year 8 Science Textbooks	Hired	\$65.95	\$3.00
	Experiment materials	Used	\$120.00	\$20.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$30.00	\$30.00
Art			\$265.00	\$100.00
	Class reference sets	Hired	\$120.00	\$10.00

Art	Art supplies, paints, brushes, canvas, sculpture, printmaking	Used	\$95.00	\$40.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$50.00	\$50.00
Music			\$6,145.00	\$72.00
	Music Theory for Young Musicians	Hired	\$20.00	\$2.00
	Consumable items - strings, sticks, mallets etc	Used	\$100.00	\$10.00
	Instrument use - guitars, keyboards, drum kits etc	Hired	\$6,000.00	\$35.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$25.00	\$25.00
ICT			\$75.00	\$42.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	New unit currently being developed, various programs and equipment to be purchased.	Hired	\$55.00	\$22.00
Economics and Business			\$25.00	\$25.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$25.00	\$25.00
History / Geography			\$190.00	\$54.10
	Big Ideas 8 Geography/ History	Hired	\$65.00	\$25.60
	Class reference sets	Hired	\$100.00	\$3.50
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$25.00	\$25.00
Media Art			\$8,040.00	\$87.00
	Class reference sets	Hired	\$500.00	\$20.00
	Cameras, tripods, lights, microphones	Hired	\$7,000.00	\$20.00
	Green screen & transfer image paper	Hired	\$500.00	\$7.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$40.00	\$40.00
Japanese			\$85.00	\$55.00
	Origami paper, calligraphy ink, ingredients	Used	\$40.00	\$10.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$45.00	\$45.00
Health & Physical Education			\$2,087.00	\$71.00
	Handball, athletics, austag, indigenous games, frisbee badminton, tennis, table tennis, equipment	Used	\$2,062.00	\$46.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$25.00	\$25.00
Industrial Technology Studies			\$620.00	\$88.30

Industrial Technology Studies	Consumables for 3D printing, soldering, metal, timber, glue, nails, sand paper etc	Used	\$320.00	\$48.80
	Tool usage wear and replacement	Hired	\$280.00	\$19.50
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
Home Economics			\$870.00	\$150.00
	Sem 1 - cooking ingredients	Used	\$70.00	\$50.00
	Depreciation and replacement of equipment	Used	\$760.00	\$60.00
	In class stationery/ papercut/ workbooks	Used	\$40.00	\$40.00

GRAND TOTAL

\$20,358.70 \$1,094.20