



Amphitheatre Primary School **PARENT PAYMENT**

Policy

Amphitheatre Primary School has developed their own Parent Payment Policy to ensure all elements required by the Department of Education are included and adhered to.

PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES

Amphitheatre Primary School has no expectation of parents to pay for any school operations, including stationary and instructional charges. Fundraising is an important aspect of Amphitheatre Primary School, it is essential we have strong parent support in this area to ensure maximum opportunities are provided for our students at no cost to families.

FAMILY SUPPORT OPTIONS

- *Amphitheatre PS has a large amount of Second hand uniforms available for families for a gold coin donation. Our school uniforms are bought from low cost suppliers and this is passed on to our school families.*
- *Each student at Amphitheatre Primary school if the family holds a current Health Care Card or Pension Card receives funding from the education department called the camps, sports, excursion fund (CSEF). This is used to allow each student every opportunity to participate and attend all school activities including swimming, excursions, incursions and camp activities.*
- *Amphitheatre Primary School has the opportunity to receive State Schools Relief funding to support families with the purchase of new school uniforms*
- *Local community supports are available for families in need, including the Food Pantry operating throughout the Pyrenees Shire in Avoca. Families are required to register for their support and then receive food packs to help in their time of need.*
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CONSIDERATION OF HARDSHIP

Amphitheatre Primary School is a small rural community, we are very fortunate to see most school families on a regular basis. We will ensure a proactive approach to communicating with parents, and discretely approaching families who may be experiencing hardship.

If you or your family are experiencing difficulties or hardship, please make a time to speak to the School Principal on (03) 5466 2223. They will be able to assist you in seeking financial support for your child/ren to make payments regarding schooling payments.

COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILIES

- *Amphitheatre Primary Schools Parent payment policy will be communicated to school families through school council approval. A summary sheet will be created to be given to all school families via the school newsletter and website.*
- *If you have any questions or concerns about parent payments please make a time to discuss these with the school principal.*

MONITORING AND REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY

- *This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure all up to date factors and measures are included for the beginning of the new school year and to ensure transparency of the process and engagement with parents.*

This policy was last ratified by School Council on **May 2021**