Dear Families,

The staff have put considerable effort into selecting the very best quality for your child’s needs in all stationery items and this comes with the experience of assessing durability, suitability and value for money. Items are trialed, tested and reviewed.

Please find the itemised list that includes essential student learning items (those items that your child needs for school) and Optional Items (that you can choose whether your child participates in or accesses). Also listed below are items for which you are invited to make a voluntary donation to assist in the maintenance and development of the school’s facilities and program.

The Patch Primary School and School Council makes every effort to keep the cost and number of items that need to be purchased to a minimum. We also try to ensure that the costs are affordable for all parents.

If you will have difficulty making payments, please make an appointment to speak to Debra Herrmann (Principal) or Karen Koelewyn (Business Manager) to discuss possible support options and flexible payment arrangements. Any discussions will be kept strictly confidential.

We would appreciate payment by February 9th Term 1, 2017.

Please Note: Additional school charges may arise during the year. For example: It is expected that there will be excursions organised in each year level. Families will be notified early in 2017 of these expected costs.

**Essential Student Learning Items**

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Specifications</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<tr>
<td>Individual booklist materials</td>
<td>Stationery Pack – Consumables Specific materials for each child such as pencils, crayons exercise books, scrapbooks, diaries/journals, erasers, rulers, and glue. (full details for each year level are available at Office).</td>
<td>$100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Essential student consumable materials</td>
<td>Requisites and bulk materials used in the classroom such as paper, photocopying, resources sets in lieu of text books and resources (resources sets in lieu of text books and resources)</td>
<td>$50</td>
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<tr>
<td>Essential Subject materials</td>
<td>Requisites and bulk materials used in specialist programs – Art, Environment, Music, Philosophy &amp; Japanese (full details for each year level are available at Office).</td>
<td>$95</td>
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<tr>
<td>Essential Student Information Technology</td>
<td>Computer related consumables, such as cartridge costs, paper and equipment, Mathletics, Reading Eggs and Spell-o-drome, Essential Learnings</td>
<td>$60</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td></td>
<td>$305</td>
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Note: Parents may choose to provide or purchase some items themselves. If you choose to do this you must consult with the school so that your child has the right items. There may be some items or services you cannot purchase yourself.

**Voluntary Financial Contributions**

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Amount – please nominate how much you would like to donate</th>
<th>Suggested amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>ICT assistance fund</td>
<td>While the school budget provides access to computers, printers and ongoing maintenance, an ICT donation of will go directly to funding new computers in classrooms, on an ongoing 4-year cycle.</td>
<td>$60.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Physical Education</td>
<td>A Physical Education donation of will go towards sport equipment and uniform upgrades</td>
<td>$20.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grounds Beautification</td>
<td>A donation pays for mowing of the school grounds and repair of school facilities undertaken by a Handyman and includes school maintenance/repair tasks that cannot be done by parents at working bees. Mowing cost per year $4,000 and Handyman costs per year $9,000</td>
<td>$60.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Working Bee levy</td>
<td>A donation can be made In lieu of attendance at working bee</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>School Assistance Fund</td>
<td>This fund is to provide essential student learning items or optional items for families unable to purchase these items due to financial hardship. A suggested contribution of $50.00 helps to ensure that all our students have the option of attending school camps and excursions and have the items they need for school.</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
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### Optional Items

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<th>Payment</th>
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<td><strong>Excursions and Incursions</strong></td>
<td>Excursions and Incursions are linked to the educational program and greatly enrich the learning experiences of our children</td>
<td>Other excursions and incursions planned throughout the year to enhance classroom topics.</td>
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<td><strong>Payment required at the time of the activity</strong></td>
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| **Camps**                   | Camps program endeavours to promote the development of a child’s independence and self-reliance skills, in addition to fostering such social skills as co-operation, tolerance, leadership and environmental awareness | Year 2 Day camp  
Year 3 & 4 camp (3 day)  
Year 5 & 6 camp (3 day)  
*** Payment plans available |
|                             |                                                                         | **Payment required at the time of the activity** |
| **Swimming**                | Swimming program aims to develop water safety, confidence and swimming ability. | Prep to Year 3 only  
8 x 45 minutes sessions including bus transport. |
|                             |                                                                         | **Payment required at the time of the activity** |
| **Year 3-6 Sports**         | Many senior school students are involved in a variety of sporting events during the year which foster relationships with other schools and students in the district, and provide opportunities to develop sporting abilities, develop confidence and school pride | Athletics buses and hire of track  
Cross country buses  
Basketball buses, umpires & court hire  
Soccer  
Divisional level – qualifying required  
Regional level - qualifying required  
State level - qualifying required |
|                             |                                                                         | **Payment required at the time of the activity** |
| **Year 5 only**             | Year 5 only                                                                 | 2018 Year 6 Jacket $60.00 Approx.  
2018 Year 6 Shirt $40.00 Approx. |
|                             |                                                                         | **Payment required after sizing and samples have been finalized in October.** |
| **Year 6 only**             | Year 6 only                                                               | Graduation  
Public Speaking Cost to be confirmed |
|                             |                                                                         | **$95.00**  
**$20.00** |

### CSEF - Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

The State Government Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provides financial support for eligible students (Holders of Family Health Care Cards or Foster Carers). For Primary school students this is $125.00 per year. There is an annual application process and parents will be notified via the school newsletter and website when application forms are available. Further information can be found at: [http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx)

### PAYMENTS

The Patch Primary School uses the Qkr! Payment system for Parent Payments. Should you have any difficulties using this system please do not hesitate to contact the school office for assistance.
The Patch Primary School 2017 Parent Payment Form

(When you pay via Qkr this form is not required to be returned to school)

Child’s Name: ___________________________________ Grade 2017: __________

Child’s Name: ___________________________________ Grade 2017: __________

Child’s Name: ___________________________________ Grade 2017: __________

• ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS
  o Stationery Pack – Consumables
  o Photocopying/printing – by school in lieu of text books and resources
  o Materials/Supplies – provided by school in which the student takes possession of

  Total Essential Items ( $305 * number of student) $ ______

• VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS
  Information & Communication Technology $ _____
  Suggested amount of $60 per family

  Physical Education $ _____
  Suggested amount of $20 per family

  Grounds Beautification $ _____
  Suggested amount of $60 per family

  Working Bee $ _____
  Suggested amount of $50 per family

  School Assistance Fund $ _____
  Parents/Guardians are invited to nominate an amount

  Total Voluntary Financial Contributions $ ______

PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES

Essential Education Items TOTAL: $ ______

Voluntary Financial Contribution TOTAL: $ ______

  TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE: $ ______

Please indicate your preferred method of payment:

Option A In Full by 9/02/2017 □

Option B payment at the beginning of each term □
  Instalment 1: Thursday 9th February 2017
  Instalment 2: Friday 31st March 2017
  Instalment 3: Friday 30th June 2017

Option C half yearly payment □
  By Installments of $_______ (50% of TOTAL) due by 9/02/2017
  $_______ (50% of TOTAL) due by 13/07/2017

Option D other payment arrangements * □

If selecting Option D please make an appointment with the school to discuss your circumstances and the available options.