2014 Contributions and Charges

Please make payment between
Wednesday 29 January 2014 and Thursday 10 April 2014

Contributions and charges enable the school to enrich the basic curriculum. Students will derive the full benefit from the voluntary contribution and compulsory charges they pay. Failure to pay your contributions and charges places a large burden on the school community. The school relies upon all families to contribute.

Payments can be made by
- In person – from 29 January between 8.30 and 3.00pm – EFTPOS facilities are available
- Phone – your credit card details through, from Wednesday 29 January 2014
- Periodical Credit Card Authorisation (form supplied) – return with full details entered
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) – make payments to any Commonwealth Bank or via the internet to:
  BSB: 066-163
  Account No: 0090-0019
  Account Name: Leeming Senior High School
  REFERENCE NUMBER: Please include the students name as reference for your deposit.
- Mail or return your Credit Card Payment details or attach cheque to Cheque Payment Voucher.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE towards payment of Contributions and Charges SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME – see enclosed flyer. (Note new application needs to be made each year).

Please note the forms will be provided at front reception and must be signed by the cardholder in front of and witnessed by a school officer. DEADLINE for applying for the “Secondary Assistance Scheme” is 11 April 2014.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR YEAR 8 TO 10 - All schools are required to make sure that all students can choose an educational program that satisfies the requirements of the Curriculum Framework. The maximum Voluntary Contribution that can be requested is $235.00. If the Secondary Assistance Scheme is claimed under Government policy it pays for the voluntary contributions.

Policy states: ‘$235 Educational Program Allowance is paid directly to the school. This amount reduces the voluntary contributions requested of the parent/guardian in Year’s 8-10.’

COMPULSORY CHARGES FOR YEAR 11 & 12 covers all courses. For post-compulsory schooling all activities are treated as optional components under the government’s Contributions and Charges Policy. There is no established maximum for cost in post-compulsory years.

In addition to the above, extra cost optional components may also be requested during the year and these are listed on the Additional Cost Sheet. We also have Approved Optional Costs and Additional Voluntary Requests, which can be seen on the Contributions & Charges sheet. A brief description can be found below.

OTHER OPTIONAL SCHOOL BASED CHARGES

PAPER USE
Once students have used an initial $2.00 paper allocation that is credited to them, a small charge will be implemented for the remainder of the year for additional paper used. The cost will be 10 cents per Black & White sheet and 20c per Colour sheet and can be paid for at the school library as required in $5.00 allocations. If your child is doing subjects that are in Computing, Business Education, English or SOSE there may be a higher usage of printing paper than other subjects.

ACROSS SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
In addition to the essential curriculum activities that are covered by learning areas, a wide range of Optional Enrichment Activities are planned for 2014 on a pay as you go basis.

The school is unable to predict the exact cost of many of these optional activities that are coordinated by Year Co-coordinators. Teachers organising these activities will always aim for the cheapest possible cost.

Examples of the activities and approximate cost:
- School Ball (Year 12 Only) up to $120.00
- Yr 12 Graduation Luncheon up to $50.00
- Leavers Jacket up to $120.00
- Valedictory Ceremony (Year 12) up to $100.00
- River Cruise Reward Excursions (Lower School) up to $25.00
- Spring Fling up to $40.00
- Dinner Dance (Year 10) up to $65.00
- Reward Excursions (All Years may do more than one) up to $40.00
- Sportspersons Dinner up to $40.00
- Pulse Dance Party up to $20.00

Please note the above activities are for selected students only
YEARBOOK - Surveyor
This is a record of events and achievements for the year and is a great keepsake for your student. It will cost $25.00. Past years copies of the Surveyor can be viewed at the Schools Reception.

TECHNOLOGY and CURRICULUM IT
Leeming Senior High School has computers, notebooks and associated printers for the students to use and these are connected to the Internet via the school’s network. Students have access to email, web pages and international learning communities. We have purchased a range of software packages to meet the individual learning needs of our students. Your $25.00 Contribution enables us to continue the growth of this wonderful, but rapidly changing learning tool.

LIBRARY
The Library Contribution of $35 assists in the purchase and provision of resources supportive of the implementation of the school plan (Literacy). These include:

- Fiction & non-fiction print & electronic resources to promote literacy encourage recreational reading, reading for a purpose plus the implementation of research skills supportive of all learning areas.
- Resources include - subject texts, books, online encyclopedias, newspapers, magazine subscriptions, iPads, apps, E-Book readers, e-Books, A/V equipment etc

BOOKLISTS – See the Leeming SHS website. Books are NOT AVAILABLE from Leeming SHS – suggested supplier is Campion Education Online (campion.com.au) 6240 2778.

HOMEWORK DIARY
Members of the school staff have specially prepared this diary for the students. It contains a calendar of events for the year, study hints, hints on the use of the diary, and pages for students to record the details of homework and assignments. There is also a set of permission slips, which students will need to have completed by the class teacher if they wish to be out of class at any time.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
The Newsletter is one of the very valuable means of communication with parents at a cost of $8 per year for:

- Information from the school
- Student achievements
- Reporting to parents as part of our accountability requirements

Newsletters are sent via e-mail. Please provide your e-mail address to the school.

PERSONAL ITEMS

- Stationery items required for specific courses have been included in the Booklist.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS AND SCHOOL DRESS POLICY
Information can be found in the School Information Handbook which is found on the Leeming SHS website under 2014 Parent Information Package.

The Uniform Shop and Second Hand Bookshop will be open on the following days and at the times indicated.

- **Wednesday** 29 January 8.30am to 2.30pm
- **Thursday** 30 January 8.30am to 2.30pm
- **Friday** 31 January 8.30am to 2.30pm

Any enquiries regarding uniforms, second hand clothes or second hand books please contact the Uniform Shop direct on 9332 4121.

Normal Uniform opening hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10.15am to 1.45pm.

CHAPLAIN – STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES
The School Chaplain is an integral member of the Student Service team at Leeming SHS and by making a $15.00 donation this will help provide the necessary services. The Chaplain provided holistic pastoral care, mentoring, teaching on emotional intelligence and relational issues and welfare support, and to cultivate a greater connectedness to various support agencies and community organizations. Additionally the Chaplain encourages the school to have an outward humanitarian focus by supporting various projects. The Chaplain also is integral in running an Anti Bullying Program and several Resiliency based courses. Along with organizing a variety of high quality speakers to grow the students in such things as healthy thinking and decision making, self Esteem, acceptance of self and others.

The Administration Reception re-opens for business on Wednesday 29 January 2014.

For organisational purposes at 8.30am a whole-of-school assembly will take place in the Leeming Recreational Centre. After the assembly students will be directed to, and spend time in tutorial groups where timetables will be distributed. For most students normal timetable will commence at the beginning of Period 2.

If you require clarification of any of the material you have received or if you need additional information, please contact the school on 9310 1300.