2017 Contributions and Charges

**Please make payment between Friday 27 January 2017 and Thursday 8 April 2017**

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
- BPoint please log into the Leeming SHS website [www.leeming.wa.edu.au](http://www.leeming.wa.edu.au) – under Payments and follow the prompts (this process is explained in the Methods of Payment sheet)
- In person – from 27 January 2017, between 8.30 and 3.00pm – EFTPOS facilities are available
- Phone – your credit card details through from Friday 27 January 2017
- Periodical Credit Card and Direct Debit Authorisation (Direct Debit form supplied with your statement) – return with full details entered
- Mail or return your Credit Card Payment form

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** towards payment of Contributions and Charges SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME – see separate flyer. (Note new applications need 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 7 April 2017.

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR YEAR 7 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 7-10.**

**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.

As per Departmental Policy 3.2.2.2 Charges for all “Extra Cost Optional Components” the school is requesting that you pay 50% of your child’s charges by March 3, 2017. If the amount requested is not paid by the due date it is the school’s decision as to whether your child is withdrawn from any high cost subjects.

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 a maximum of 10 cents per Black & White sheet and 20c per Colour sheet and can be paid for at the school library. If your child is doing subjects that are in Computing, Business Education, English or HASS 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 2017 on a pay as you go basis. These activities can also be paid by Bpoint.

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 $150.00
- **Yr 12 Graduation River Cruise** up to $50.00
- **Leavers Jacket** up to $120.00
- **Valedictory Ceremony (Year 12)** up to $100.00 (Includes 2x free tickets)
- **River Cruise Reward Excursions (Lower School)** up to $45.00
- **Spring Fling** up to $50.00
- **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 and non-fiction print and electronic resources to promote literacy and 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

**PERSONAL ITEMS**

- See the Leeming SHS website. Books are NOT AVAILABLE from Leeming SHS – suggested supplier is Campion Education Online (campion.com.au) 6240 2778.
  - Stationery items required for specific courses have been included in the Personal Items Listings.

**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.
**SCHOOL UNIFORMS AND SCHOOL DRESS POLICY**
Information can be found in the School Information Handbook which is found on the Leeming SHS website under 2017 Parent Information Package.

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

- **Wednesday** 25 January, 2017 8.30am to 3.00pm
- **Thursday** 27 January, 2017 8.30am to 3.00pm
- **Monday** 30 January, 2017 8.30am to 3.00pm
- **Tuesday** 31 January, 2017 8.30am to 3.00pm

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 provides 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 organisations. Additionally the Chaplain encourages the school to have an outward humanitarian focus by supporting various projects.

The Administration Reception re-opens for business on Friday 27 January 2017.

The first day of school for students is Wednesday 1 February 2017. It is recommended that Year 7 students bring only basic writing materials such as an A4 file and lined paper, pens and pencils. During the days that follow, teachers will explain to their students what specific equipment will be required for future lessons.

For organisational purposes at 8.30am a whole-of-school assembly will take place in the Leeming Recreation Centre. After the assembly students will be directed to, and spend time in House Groups where timetables will be distributed. For most students a 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.