Dear Parents,

School Council has determined that the book pack and consumable material charge for all students (P-6) will be $235.00 for next year. The booklist levy and material charge covers all student book packs and consumable requisites for next year for all classroom and specialist curriculum programs (art/music/library/PE and computer, including Mathletics and Reading Eggs).

The school uses its excellent buying power to purchase bulk items which enables us to keep the costs to a minimum.

In 2017 each student will receive their own stationery pack. The pack can be collected from the school on any of the following days: Monday 12th December to Friday 16th December, Monday 19th December, Friday 27th January 2017 or Monday 30th January 2017 between 11am and 3pm. All books and materials should be named and returned when the children begin school on Tuesday 31st January 2017.

Parents of students in grade Prep & grade One are not required to collect book packs as they will be kept in the classroom.

$235.00 Book pack and essential education items include:

**Required Stationery Pack**
Each child will receive their own stationery pack which will include all materials your child will require for the year in the classroom. The stationery pack will include items such as pencils, pens, glue sticks, scissors, document wallets, etc.

**Shared Classroom Consumable Materials**
The following materials will be purchased as bulk items to be shared amongst all children in the class throughout the school year; paper, bookmaking materials, laminating sheets, newsprint, A3/A4 card, etc.

**Information technology (computers)**
All consumables (paper, cartridges, etc) used in computers in every classroom and in the multi-media centre in the school library.

**Student access to Mathletics and Reading Eggs programs.**

**Specialist Class Consumables**

**Visual Arts**
Art materials, cartridge and coloured paper, shared supplies, modelling and creative art materials.

**Performing Arts**
Photocopied materials for music file.

**Year Level Materials**
P-6 Seaholme student portfolio
P-4 Independent reading log
5-6 Student diary

$100.00 Excursion Levy (Essential education item)

School Council has agreed to maintain the Excursion Levy at $100 for 2017. The levy will cover the cost of incursions/excursions organised by the teaching staff as part of the curriculum program for the year, as well as one whole school incursion – Musica Viva.
Additional essential education items required for 2017

In addition to the book pack and material charge, it is recommended that students have the items listed below. Students are encouraged to look after the items so that they need only be purchased once during their time at primary school and hopefully will also be used at secondary school.

All students in Yrs. 3 and 4 in 2017 who do not already possess a recorder may require one for the music program. Recorders may be purchased from the school.

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Some dictionaries, thesauruses and atlases will be available for students to use in class activities, but we recommend that students have their own personal dictionary and thesaurus. This will allow usage at all times and will be available for homework projects.

The details of the dictionary and thesaurus used at the school are listed above. Parents are able to purchase these at any reliable book or discount store, or alternatively via the internet from any reputable book supplier.

The school will no longer be purchasing these books on behalf of parents as it is far more economical for parents to source them elsewhere.

Voluntary Financial Contributions

$30 Grounds Levy (voluntary) per family.

School Council believes it is very important that the school grounds are always kept neat, well maintained and safe for all children. A recommended voluntary annual fee of $30 per family will enable the school council to maintain the school grounds to a high standard without the need to conduct regular working bees.

$50 Air Conditioning Levy (voluntary) per new family ‘once only levy’

School Council elected to have air conditioning installed in all classrooms. The financing of this facility is the school’s responsibility, as the Government does not provide funds for air-conditioning. Families new to the school are asked to contribute to this cost with a recommended voluntary ‘once only’ levy of $50.00 per family. This is a modest contribution, but a most important one in order to meet regular service costs.

The voluntary levies are set at a recommended value, however all and any contributions are gratefully accepted.

Building Fund Donation

The Seaholme Primary School Council has set up a Building Fund which has DGR status with the Australian Taxation Office. This means that the school is now able to accept donations from parents and organisations that are specifically for the School Building Fund, which will be tax deductible for the donor. Donations received to date have been used for the refurbishment and conversion of the storage shed into a technology room.

All donations will be gratefully accepted.
Please select one of the following options for payment.

**Option A**: Payment in full of $235.00 for the book pack and classroom materials, $100.00 excursion levy (and voluntary levies and additional items if required) by **Friday 9th December 2016**.

**NOTE**: No cash or cheques will be accepted by the office after Friday 9th December only EFTPOS or QKR! transactions.

**Option B**: Payment in full when the book pack is collected in January 2017:

- **Friday 27th January or Monday 30th January 2017**

**2017 Prep Parents:**

Parents will have the opportunity to pay for the book pack, excursion levy and voluntary levies during the transition program. Alternatively, payment can be made when the children begin school on Wednesday 1st February 2017.

Parents are not required to collect prep book packs as they will be kept in the classroom.

**Classroom items from home**

Students are also required to bring the following items from home:

- Large box of tissues
- Library Bag ~ (a recycle bag from the supermarket is ideal for borrowing books from the library.
- Art smock ~ an old shirt/dustcoat will do although the smock needs to be waterproof to resist paint stains etc.

Yours sincerely

*Merridy Patterson*  
Principal

*Susan Day*  
School Council President
SEAHOLME PRIMARY SCHOOL

Booklists 2017

Student Name: ..................................     Grade (2016) ......................

☐ Option A: Payment in full - Due Friday 9th December 2016.

☐ Option B: Payment in full when the book pack is collected in January 2017.

Friday 27th January or Monday 30th January 2017.

Payment Methods: Cash or cheques. Cheques are to be made payable to Seaholme Primary School.

(Cash or cheques will NOT be accepted after Friday 9th December 2016)

EPTPOS/credit card facilities and QKR!

Please tick the items required for your child from the list below:

☐ $235  Book pack and consumable material charge
☐ $100  Excursion Levy
☐ $30   Grounds Levy (voluntary) per family per annum
☐ $50   Air Conditioning Levy (voluntary) per family ‘once only’
☐ $10   Prep Home Reader Bag☐
☐      Building Fund Donation (Tax deductible)

Total $ _____

Card Details: Name________________________________________________________________________

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Expiry Date: ______/_______

Signature:_____________________________  Visa ☐  Mastercard ☐