



30 January 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter contains important information about the **2024 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

The Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g. teachers
- Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

Funding does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, computer or musical equipment for personal use, and many items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Supply of these items is the responsibility of parents.

To provide parents with a cost effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Miles State School operates a SRS for 2024.

The scheme ensures that students have the resources required for them to engage with the curriculum for their education, and saves parents time and money in sourcing the prescribed materials elsewhere. Savings are gained through the school's bulk purchasing practices and hiring arrangements. The scheme is not used to raise funds for other purposes, and revenue collected through the scheme is applied only to the resources and operation of the scheme.

The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on 10 October 2023.

SRS Participation

The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources necessary to enhance their learning experience at school. The Department encourages parents to participate in the scheme. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on a parent to participate. Participation is for the duration of your child's enrolment at the school.

Student is new to the Instrumental Music Program.....

Parents are required to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time. If no participation form is received by Friday, 9 February 2024, the school will take the view that the parent has chosen to opt out of the SRS. The parent is then required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

Continuing student of the Instrumental Music Program.....

A parent's participation or non-participation in the scheme will continue as per their previously completed Participation Agreement Form. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

If a parent has opted out of the scheme the parent is required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year.

Resource Inclusions

All resources included in the SRS are detailed in the attached [SRS Resource list](#). This list is also available on the school's website. This is a comprehensive list of all resources included in the scheme and their associated costs.

Parents must inform the school if items on the list of resources are not received by their child when resources are distributed.

Type of Resources provided

Generally, the types of resources that could be included are:



- **Hired** – these items are hired to the student for their personal use for a specific period of time (e.g. textbooks, musical instruments)
 - Hired items must be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school. NB. Starter pack reeds may be kept by the student.
 - A repair or replacement cost may be charged to the parent for any hired items that are damaged or not returned.
- **Used in class** – eg Sheet music, workbooks, music texts – these items will be used in class.

The Fee – Instrumental Music Program (no hire of instrument required) \$20

Instrumental Music Program and Hire of Instrument \$90

- If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions (over the page), you may choose not to participate in the SRS. If you choose not to participate you will be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for the student.
- The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on 10 October 2023.
- Payment is due in full by Monday, 26 February or if paying by instalments, 1/3 of the total invoice amount is due by Monday, 26 February and the end of Week 1 in Terms 2 and 3.

The SRS Participation Fee

The SRS fee payable for the year is available in the attached information and published on the schools website.

Financial Hardship

Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss available options in confidence.

Payment Arrangement

Several payment options including a single payment for the full year's fee or term instalments are available. An instalment plan can also be negotiated with the school.

Any unpaid invoices, will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in non-curricular activities until payment is made (<https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/debt-management-procedure>).

Payment Method

SRS payments can be made by BPAY or EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card).

- When paying by BPOINT, please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.

Contact Us

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with Claire Goodchild.

Please complete the SRS Fee Payment Arrangement Form and return to the school administration office by Friday, 9 February 2024.

Miles State School



SRS Fee Payment Arrangement Form

Section 1: Student Details

Student Name	
Year Level	

Section 2: SRS Category

SRS Category	SRS Fee Payable	Option Selected
Instrumental Music Program	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Instrumental Music Program and Instrument Hire	\$90.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 3: Payment Arrangement

Please select the preferred payment options:

Payment options	Instalments	Amounts	Option Selected
1. A single payment for the full year's fee	Instalment 1:	\$90 or \$20	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Term instalments (paid over the first 3 terms)	Instalment 1: Instalment 2: Instalment 3:	\$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. An instalment plan as negotiated with the school			<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 4: Return of the Participation Form

Parents are reminded to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time or opting in/out during the student's enrolment.

Have you completed and returned the SRS Participation Agreement Form? Yes No

Please note if you choose to opt out of the SRS, you are still required to complete and return the Participation Agreement Form.

Section 5: Parent Signature

Parent Name	
Parent Signature	
Date	

Student resource scheme inclusions

Instrumental Music Program (using an average of 33 students) – Total cost of \$20 to the student		
Item	Full Cost	Cost per student
Assessment Texts & scale books	\$400.00	\$12.12
Paper music scores (2 x full)	\$215.00	\$6.51
Photocopying	\$50.00	\$1.51
Total	\$665.00	\$20.14

Instrumental Music Program (using an average of 33 students) + Hire of Instrument – Total cost of \$90 to the student		
Item	Full Cost	Cost per student
Assessment Texts & Scale books	\$400	\$12.12
Paper music scores (2 x full)	\$215	\$6.51
Photocopying	\$50	\$1.51
Starter kit – eg. 1 x reed, oil (if necessary) etc		\$15.00 each
Servicing of instrument every 3 or 4 years	\$140	\$30.00
Replacement of instrument – 20 yr life span	\$700	\$25.00
Total	\$1,505.00	\$90.14

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