

**Dear Families** 

You will have received information about the 2024 Voluntary School and Curriculum Contributions. To the many parents that pay these, we thank you.

# Why should I pay for the Curriculum Contributions?

It is important that families pay for the curriculum contributions as the school has arranged for all students to have access to online learning programs such as Essential Assessment and Mathletics, which are important tools for their education, a diary which aids communication between home and school and the necessary books and stationery they need to complete work in.

# Why should I pay voluntary contributions?

By paying these contributions, it allows the school to provide the best educational opportunities for your children and purchase items to enhance their learning.

## What has my voluntary contributions paid for?

In 2023, we have been able to spend your contributions in a number of ways:

## **School Grounds Projects**

This year we have made co-contributions to enable the construction of the new shade sail in front of the hall, the new basketball court, the electronic sign and paid for extra maintenance of the school grounds.







What we need in 2024- Possible projects include seating near the new basketball court, line markings on the asphalt for more games and landscaping behind the hall.

# Information Technology

This year we have been able to purchase some iPads for students to use each day in the classroom, in a range of subject areas and pay for our lease for our netbooks.

What we need in 2024- We need to replace the fleet of iPads, particularly in the F-2 area, which are old and out of date.

### **Bilingual Materials**

In order for our students to have the best opportunity to learn Japanese, the school has to make a lot of resources. Your contributions pay for materials to make cards, games, books and worksheets to support their bilingual learning. Our teachers and aides are working to make online books. Buying books is very expensive as they are sourced from overseas.

What we need in 2024- Your contributions will help us to buy more Japanese books and materials, particularly for the Year 5/6 area as we implement the 50/50 learning structure in Year 6.

### STEM Room

With your contributions we have been able to purchase equipment and cooking materials for students to use in STEM specialist classes and the Science Extension Program.

What we need in 2024- We would like to purchase more robotics equipment so students can do more coding and computer

We hope all of our families are able to make some contributions in 2024, to support the high-quality education your child receives at Huntingdale Primary School.