

# Perth Waldorf School - Family Participation Scheme

## **The Rationale:**

The Family Participation Scheme was introduced as a School Council initiative to encourage parents to increase the healthy development of the school community. It is an opportunity for parents to build relationships with other families in the school and to practically demonstrate to our children that we value the school, their education and our own personal development. The sole intent of the scheme is to allow people to bring to consciousness their participation in the life of the school either by filling in and returning the form or making a payment in exchange for not being able to participate. The FPS is not a fundraising scheme. The first point of contact is reception.

**Note: Hours can be claimed for anything that would be considered participating in the life of the school to the benefit of the school and leaves the decision to each family to list what they believe are appropriate Family Participation Hours under the scheme.**

## **How the FPS Works:**

- This scheme is administrated by the school office.
- A fee of \$100 per semester (2 terms) (equivalent to 10 hours per semester) is charged to the family fees account on an invoice following the end of each semester if no Family Participations Scheme Hours are recorded.
- Family Participation Scheme hours are claimed via the Family Participation Scheme form, which is available from the office, on the back of this letter and on the school website.
- The FPS form must be received by reception by the end of the semester. Forms received after the end of term 2 or term 4 may not be credited.
- For families where there are 2 parties paying the fees, the hours may be proportional to each parties contribution. Please write a note to the Administrator if there are special arrangements or concerns. The school does not wish to make this burdensome and something can be worked out.
- No hours can be carried forward to future years.
- Families that have children at other schools with a similar scheme operating may choose to claim the hours they do at another school - it may be too much to participate in both schools. This will be assessed on a case by case basis - please be specific in what you are claiming.
- A family that joins the school part-way through the term will not be expected to complete their hours for that term, nor will they be charged the FPS fee for the semester they commence. However, the scheme will start upon the commencement of the next full semester.

## **How to Participate:**

Busy Bees; general maintenance or gardening; incidental support to help keep the school neat and tidy; helping a teacher with classroom task, supporting class plays, festivals, open days and excursions. Participating in anthroposophy in the community in activities regularly advertised in the *Pabulum*. You may wish to formally join the school P&F or School Council.

If you have a trade/professional skill you are able to offer, please record it on your FPS form. The school prefers to use local/known tradespeople where possible.

Should you have any questions regarding the Family Commitment Scheme, please contact the school on:

**9417 3638** or [adminpws@pws.wa.edu.au](mailto:adminpws@pws.wa.edu.au)

Thank you for your continued support.

Bruce Lee  
School Administrator

# P.W.S. Family Participation Scheme 2018

Semester 1 Form – Due Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Semester 2 Form – Due Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

## Record of Hours Claimed

Your name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Account Name (See Invoice): \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Eldest Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester 1 / 2 (please circle) Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Summary of Participation	Hours
<b>Total hours claimed</b>		

I have the following professional skills / trade that I am willing to offer:

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Please return this form to the School Admin Office or email to: [adminpws@pws.wa.edu.au](mailto:adminpws@pws.wa.edu.au) by the due date.