

Family Participation Scheme 2024

Semester 1 - Form <u>Due Friday 23 June</u> Semester 2- Form <u>Due Tuesday 12 December</u>

Record of Hours Claimed

| Your name(s): | | Date: | | | |
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| Family Account Name (See Invoice): | | Name of Eldest Child: | | Class: | |
| Contact phone #: | | Semester 1 / 2 (please circle | e) Email address: | | |
| Date | Summary of Participation | | | | Hours |
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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

- The FPS applies to all families from Kindy 4 to Class 12 and 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; Canteen support; helping a teacher with classroom task, supporting class plays, festivals, open days, 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 pws@pws.wa.edu.au.

Thank you for your continued support.