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Dear Parents/Carer

Re: **RESOURCE SCHEME FEE 2021**

The resource scheme fee for 2021 will remain the same as 2020 at \$50.00 per child. An Agreement Form is included in this envelope. Please sign and return this form to the school office. No payment is required until next year as Invoices will be sent out early 2021. This fee will assist the school to meet the increased photocopying costs (copy charges) associated with producing student materials, the costs of on-line computer subscriptions in Reading/Maths programs that students are also able to access at home and other resources for student use. Please find below the breakdown of the Resource Scheme:

- Subscription to Mathletics/Reading Eggs \$25.00
- Photocopy costs - replacement of textbooks no longer on booklist (Permanent Use for students for 2021) \$25.00

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.

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 5th March 2021**, 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.

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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.

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There are a number of reasons why we have this Resource Scheme. We have not included any textbooks or student workbooks on the 2021 Booklist. This is quite deliberate. With the Australian Curriculum in English, Maths, Humanities and Social Science from Prep through to Year 6, we are using on-line resources through Education Queensland and no commercially-produced products. This means that we are compensating for this with school-produced resources. This will result in an increase in photocopying and other costs. The school's Resource Scheme fee will replace the outlay that parents would usually spend on textbooks and assist us to photocopy the resources your child will require for his/her curriculum studies.

We have purchased a subscription to Mathletics and Reading Eggs, an on-line resource with all parts of interactive and motivating activities. The cost of doing this is approximately \$25.00 per student. The school subscription also allows students access from their home computers.

Financial Difficulty

If you would like to participate, but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss options. Any information that you provide will be confidential.

Release of resources

Resources will not be distributed until the full or first payment has been paid to 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 extra-curricular activities until payments are made.

Please complete and sign the attached Resource Agreement form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. All family members attending Alligator Creek State School should be listed on this form.

Invoices will be sent home at the beginning of Term 1 – 2021 and then your payment can be made by BPoint, EFT, Cheque or Cash.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Connor
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ALLIGATOR CREEK STATE SCHOOL