Dear Parents,

Rolling Hills Primary School Council has the task of setting the educational goals for our school each year and as such we follow the rationale from the Department of Education and Training (DET) policy:

*School councils are able to request payments or contributions for education items and services from parents and guardians for students in Victorian government schools in the three categories – essential education items, optional education items and voluntary financial contributions.*

**Parent Payment Structure for 2016**

School Council has set parent payments at **$330 per student**. This equates to less than **$8 per week per child and is the equivalent of one term’s kinder fees**. This amount is also the same amount as our 2015 levies. If you pay in full by 4th December 2015 you are entitled to an early-bird discount of $20 per child. The curriculum levy covers all **essential educational items** used directly by your child including stationery, photocopying, specialist material, computers and programs, affiliations, class sets such as dictionaries, take home books, novels etc. **Excursions** are also included in this levy. How your levy will be spent:

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<tr>
<th>Bulk stationery supplies</th>
<th>$45.00</th>
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<td>Core Curriculum (e.g.: English &amp; Maths)</td>
<td>$40.00</td>
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<td>Specialist Programs (e.g.: Visual Art, Performing Arts, Physical Ed and Chinese)</td>
<td>$30.00</td>
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<td>Classroom Curriculum Programs (e.g.: Inquiry, Science, Library, Sustainability)</td>
<td>$25.00</td>
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<td>ICT Consumables and Learning Programs</td>
<td>$125.00</td>
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<td>Excursions (that all students are expected to attend as part of their curriculum studies). PLEASE NOTE: this does not include swimming, camps or optional extra curricula activities.</td>
<td>$65.00</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>$330.00</strong></td>
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**Grounds & Maintenance Levy**

The Grounds and Maintenance levy is used to assist in maintaining the schools grounds, this includes larger scale works that cannot be completed at working bees. An example of this has been the installation of accessible pathways and maintenance of large trees. This $50 levy is a voluntary payment, per family, which is separate to the school levy.

**When is the Levy Due?**

An early-bird discount of $20 per student will apply to all levies **paid in full by Friday 4th December 2015**, otherwise full fees are due by Monday 1st February 2016. There is also an instalment option available through Compass or alternative arrangements can be made through the office.

**Payment through Compass**

We encourage you to pay your levies through Compass. If you choose to pay by instalments, your fees will be divided into four equal payments which will be automatically debited from your nominated card on the due dates, 4/12/15, 1/2/16, 11/4/16 and 6/6/16.

**Payment by EFTPOS and Credit Card Facilities**

Rolling Hills Primary School offers credit card (MasterCard and Visa) and EFTPOS payment facilities at the General Office for your convenience.

Please refer to the School Parent Payment Policy, located on our website, for further information.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Moore
Principal

Fleur Cousins
School Council President
2016 Levy Payment

If you are making payments through Compass you do not need to complete the details on this page, otherwise, please return this page with your payment.

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to take advantage of the early-bird discount, you must pay the levies in full by Friday 4th December 2015.

Student Names:  
1. ……………………………………………………..
2. ……………………………………………………..
3. ……………………………………………………..
4. ……………………………………………………..

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<tr>
<th>School Levy 2016</th>
<th>$330 x _____ students</th>
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<td>LESS</td>
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<td>If Levies are paid in full by Friday, 4th December 2015</td>
<td>$20 discount x _____ students</td>
<td>-- $_____</td>
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<td>Sub Total</td>
<td></td>
<td>$_____</td>
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<td>ADD</td>
<td>Grounds &amp; Maintenance Levy (Voluntary)</td>
<td>@ $50 per family</td>
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<td>Total (A)</td>
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<td>$_____</td>
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Please indicate: To be paid by □ Cash □ Cheque □ Credit

If you would like to pay by instalments, please use Compass or contact the office for alternative arrangements.

Authority for Credit Card deduction: School Levies 2016

I authorise the deduction of the full levy as shown in Total (A) (above) $_______

Youngest Student’s Name: ________________________________________________

MasterCard □ VISA □

Card Number: _______/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/________ Expiry Date: __ / __

Cardholder’s Name: _____________________________________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________________________