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 2017**

School Council has set parent payments at **$275 per student**. This equates to less than **$7 per week per child** and is the equivalent of **one term’s kinder fees**. If you pay in full by 2nd December 2016 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 NOT included in this levy in 2017 and will be charged to families as they occur.*

How your levy will be spent:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Bulk stationery supplies</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
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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>$30.00</td>
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<td>ICT Consumables and Learning Programs</td>
<td>$125.00</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</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 2nd December 2016**; otherwise full fees are due by Friday 3rd February 2017. 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, either in full or by instalment, through Compass. If you choose to pay by instalments, your fees will be divided into four payments which will be automatically debited from your nominated card on the following due dates, 02/12/16, 03/02/17, 21/04/17 and 16/06/17.

**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,

Robyn English  
Principal

Fleur Cousins  
School Council President
2017 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 2nd December 2016.

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

School Levy 2017 $275 x _____ students $_______

LESS If Levies are paid in full by Friday, 2nd December 2016 $20 discount x _____ students -- $_______

Sub Total $_______

ADD Grounds & Maintenance Levy (Voluntary) @ $50 per family $_______

Total (A) $_______

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 2017

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: ________________________________