KELVIN GROVE STATE COLLEGE

YEAR 8

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the SRS . If you have previously opted in to the SRS your participation is assumed for the remainder of your child's enrolment, unless you inform the school otherwise by completing a new participation agreement form. If you are a new parent to the school, this information will assist you in making a decision as to whether you wish to participate in the SRS.

What is provided by the Queensland Government?

The Queensland Government supports children's education by providing funding for instruction (teachers), facilities (school grounds and buildings, internet), and administration (staff to run the school). Funding for schools does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and many items used by the student in the classroom.

The SRS helps parents to source these resources. The school can purchase resources at lower rates due to its bulk buying power. Resources such as textbooks or musical instruments that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families. Participating in the SRS also offers a convenient way for parents to source the items that their child needs for school, and ensures that all students have access to the same standard of resources.

The types of resources that will be included are:

- ➔ **Owned by the student** – e.g. student diary – once provided, these items are retained by the student and used at their discretion.
- ➔ **Hired to the student** for a specific duration of time – e.g. textbooks or musical instruments–these items will need to be returned to the school in reasonable condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school.
- ➔ **Used in class** – e.g. stationery, timber, material – these items will be used in class. Finished products that are created from these resources will generally come home with the student.

The Fee

The fee is charged as a flat rate for the Year 8 cohort, providing value for all students. Items supplied through the scheme may be owned, hired, or used in class, including digital textbooks, equipment hire, and novels. Families who choose not to participate will need to purchase required resources independently. Through the college's bulk purchasing discounts, the SRS offers a cost-effective option for families. Families may pay the fee in instalments according to the recommended payment schedule. Failure to pay the SRS fee may result in the student being ineligible to participate in the SRS in future years.

If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions (over the page), you may choose not to participate in the SRS. If that is the case, please complete a new Participation Agreement Form, indicating that you no longer wish to participate. If you choose not to participate, you will be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for the student.

The TRA

The Department of Education provides a Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to assist parents with the cost of textbooks and other education resources for eligible Years 7 to 12 students.

For those students who are eligible to receive the TRA, the TRA will be applied to reduce the cost of participation as shown in the table below. Thus the SRS invoice you receive will be the full cost of participation in the SRS minus the TRA already held at the school.

Please be aware that there may be two lines of charges on your invoice indicating the GST inclusive and GST exclusive fees depending on the resources supplied by the SRS .

Cost Breakdown

The diagrams below reflect how the TRA has been deducted from the SRS fee for eligible students who have opted in to the Curriculum SRS.

Cost of SRS		TRA		SRS fee due
$526.00	**—**	**$171.00**	**=**	**$355.00**

If you have opted to pay the SRS by term instalments you may pay the fee in instalments according to the recommended payment schedule: $160 due by Week 2, Term 1; $100 due by Week 2, Term 2; and $95 due by Week 2, Term 3.

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.

Return of hired resources

A repair or replacement cost will be charged to the parent for any items that are damaged or not returned.

Contact us

If you have any queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with:

our Subshop on (07) 3552 7349 or email subshop@kelvingrovesc.eq.edu.au.

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of two components. The components are general items and resources for core and elective subjects. The tables below detail the SRS inclusions for these components.

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost
General items	**Student Diary**	Owned	$15.00
	Adobe Creative Cloud	Used	$260.00
	Education Perfect	Used	$26.00
	ClickView Access	Used	$50.00
	Turn it in	Used	$15.00
	Maths Space	Used	$100.00
	The Resilience Project	Used	$21.00
Grand Total			**$487.00**

Subject	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost
English			**$25.00**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$5.00
	Novel – selected by class teacher	Hired	$20.00
Science			**$1,025.42**
	Consumables – full listing available upon request	Used	$1,019.42
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$6.00
Art			**$554.40**
	Consumables for Animals out of order	Used	$71.90
	Consumables for Colour in the wild	Used	$427.50
	Equipment hires – hog hair brushes, fine taklon brushes, steel rulers, vinyl aprons	Hired	$55.00
Music			**$205.00**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Used	$5.00
	Consumables – guitar strings, picks, leads, drum skins, sticks and sheet music	Used	$200.00
Business			**$5.00**

Business	**Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material**	Owned	$5.00
Drama			**$245.85**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$5.00
	Consumables – shared props	Used	$240.85
Health & Physical Education			**$105.00**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$5.00
	Sporting consumables – futsal ball, basketball, afl ball, markers, bibs	Used	$100.00
Food Technology			**$111.10**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Used	$5.00
	Consumables -ingredients	Used	$76.85
	Consumables – food coverings, sample cups, chux, cleaning products, baking trays, measuring equipment	Used	$29.25
Design Fibre Tech			**$420.33**
	Term 1 Earth to Everyday (consumables)	Used	$300.08
	Equipment hires – fabric scissors, iron, ironing board, scissors, paint burshes, needles, unpickers, thimbles	Hired	$120.25
Dance			**$300.00**
	Shared proprs, set dressing consumables, printing, minor costume consumables	Used	$300.00
Mathematics			**$63.25**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Used	$7.50
	Jacaranda Maths Quest 8 Australian Curriculum 5E learnON (digital	Hired	$55.75
Italian			**$47.49**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$3.00

Italian	**Parliamo 1 Student Book 2ed**	Hired	$39.49
	Consumables – ingredients for food making activity, resources for Italian cultural activities.	Used	$5.00
Japanese			**$39.62**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$5.00
	Japanese iiTomo 2 3rd edition	Hired	$29.62
	Consumables – resources for Japanese cultural activities	Used	$5.00
Design and Technologies			**$50.60**
	Printing of unit-specific course materials, resources and reference material	Owned	$5.00
	Consumables (hardware) – fasteners, abrasives, adhesives	Used	$5.50
	Consumables (project resources	Owned	$40.10
Digital Solutions			**$45.00**
	Micromelon subscriptions and headphones	Used	$45.00
Extension Digital Solutions			**$45.00**
	Consumables – cables, USB and cartridges, 3D printing filament, computer peripherals. Electronic kits, robotics equipment, cameras, iPads	Used	$45.00