



KingsWay School

To be a Christian community of learning that nurtures young people towards their full potential as servant leaders in the Kingdom of God.

28 May 2024

Dear Parents / Caregivers

School's Special Character Donation Increase

KingsWay School continues to offer excellent, affordable Christian education thanks to parents' sacrificial and generous giving. It has been seven years since the KingsWay School Board increased its School Special Character donation, but we cannot continue to deliver and improve the school's offering without your assistance. While not compulsory, KingsWay School relies on this finance to supplement the funding received from the Ministry of Education. Therefore, it has become necessary for us to increase the amount of School Special Character Donations that we seek from parents.

The KingsWay School Board did not take this decision lightly as they are acutely aware of the current cost of living in New Zealand; however, KingsWay is not immune to these challenges.

The KingsWay School Board uses School Special Character donations, amongst others, to support:

Teaching Staff

We spend most of the funding on providing additional teachers tagged explicitly to deliver and lead Biblical Studies and special character programmes.

Support Staff

KingsWay allocates enormous amounts of funding towards pastoral care and counselling to support our learners.

Professional Development of Teachers

This has been a targeted focus in the last few years and includes the induction of new staff into Christian education, the resourcing of the Wednesday Morning Special Character Development Programme for all teachers, purchasing of teaching resources and networking with other schools.

Learning Support

KingsWay allocates significant additional funding above the Ministry of Education allocation to support students who require learning support. This additional support allows our teachers to focus on all learners.

Curriculum

We allocate finance to purchase resources and materials that support delivering outstanding

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student outcomes. It also includes library books and digital resources, which can be special character specific.

SLAMS

This allocation represents areas such as sport, leadership, the arts, missions and service, which are core to the outworking of the school's mission statement.

Your donation is tax-deductible and separate from the Proprietor's compulsory attendance dues.

The new School Special Character donation will increase by \$36 per term or \$12 per month per student, bringing your new automatic payment totals to:

Month	Term	Year
\$65	\$195	\$780
<i>Please amend your automatic payment</i>		

I kindly request that you join me as I instruct my bank to increase my automatic payment accordingly – unlike the Attendance dues, donations are voluntary and not direct debits and no changes can be made by the school. We hope to have all parents activate this increase by 1 July, 2024.

Sincerely,

Paul Claydon

KingsWay School Board Chair | Presiding Member

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