



*St Joseph's School,
Northam*



Participation Levy

Information

Parent Participation Levy Scheme

Why ~

Whilst a number of fee increases have been necessary to cover escalating costs this year, one way of minimising this for individual families is to put some of the increase in a Participation Levy.

What ~

The Levy is \$100.00 per family, payable as part of the total fees. If the Levy is covered by accumulating 100 points during Terms 1, 2 & 3, then your account will be credited with \$100.

How ~

Parents and family members have the opportunity to contribute to the overall running of the school to earn 'credit points' (\$) to reduce the Levy. Essentially an hour doing any of the defined activities will be worth 4 credit points and hence 25 hours over the year will earn 100 points, which covers the \$100.00 Levy.

Each family will be able to obtain a Parent Participation Card from either Office and have it signed off by the relevant staff member each time you or a family member completes an activity at the school.

Completing the Participation Card: Bring your card to the activity and have the staff member print and sign their name for the number of hours completed. Follow the example on the card for 3 1/2 hours which is 14 points written in the bottom corner. Once the card is completed to your commitment level, then it must be returned to the Business Manager by the end of Term 3, so that accounts can be amended.

Participation in Term 4 will be carried over to the following year. This will increase the amount of points you can accumulate.

Activities ~

Whilst assisting in either of the canteens is an obvious way to help, other activities encouraged include ~

- ◆ Classroom assistance
- ◆ Reading assistance
- ◆ Officiating at swimming & athletics carnivals
- ◆ Gardening
- ◆ Attending P & F or Board Meetings
- ◆ Running or assisting with fundraising activities
- ◆ Attending parent-teacher meetings
- ◆ Covering books for the Library
- ◆ Assisting with transport for class excursions

It's a family affair ~

Nanna or Pop are valuable members of our community and are welcome to complete activities for their (grand) children. They must have the family Parent Participation Card.

However, anyone other than parents or legal guardians must obtain a 'Working with Children' card if helping at the school more than 5 days in each calendar year. Forms are available from the Post Office.

Any queries should be directed towards Mr Steve Johnson (Business Manager).

Participation Forms are available to download from the school's website: www.sjsnortham.wa.edu.au

