ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

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Years 7 and 8 (Stage 4) Contributions 2024

Dear Parent

All NSW public schools can request contributions to enhance their educational and sporting programs. The school determines the level for contributions and activities contributions in consultation with the school community as part of the school budget process.

Contributions are:

- subject materials contribution
- a voluntary school contribution
- a voluntary P&C donation
- a voluntary ABHS School Building Fund gift
- sport and physical activity

Summary of Contributions

Contributions	Am	ount
Subject Materials:		
Classroom Resources	\$20.00	
Drama (Yr 7 only)	\$10.00	
English	\$12.50	
Languages (Yr 8 only)	\$26.00	
Library (Reading Program)	\$25.00	
Mathematics	\$26.00	
Music*	\$30.00	
Science	\$20.00	
Sports	\$25.00	
Success Planner	\$40.00	
Technology Mandatory (Food & Agriculture; Digital, Engineered Systems and Materials) The study of Technology Mandatory in Years 7–8 enables students to become responsible users of technologies and designers of solutions.	\$50.00	
Visual Arts	\$30.00	
Voluntary School Contributions		\$ 95.00
Voluntary P & C Contribution		\$ 50.00
Voluntary ABHS School Building Fund		\$ 50.00
Swimming Carnival		\$ 10.00
Athletics Carnival		\$ 10.00

Please note:

- *If your son becomes a member of the band, a contribution of \$400.00 per year will be invoiced to you.
- *The cost of instrument hire is \$50.00 per term when your son selects his instrument.
- If your son becomes involved with Theatresports, a contribution of \$150.00 for semester 1 and \$200.00 for semester 2 will be invoiced to you. (This cost includes coaching and competition entries)

Year 7 Camp

• The **Year 7 Camp** will be held in second semester of 2024. Further information will be provided early in 2024.

Breakdown of Contributions

1. Subject Materials Contribution

These **contributions** are used to buy consumables used by students. These include subject online software, sport equipment, wood, electronics, paint, food, paper, and clay.

2. Voluntary School Contribution \$95.00

This is extremely important to the effective running of the teaching and learning programs that we provide at Ashfield Boys High School. The school uses this contribution to upgrade facilities, purchase teaching resources, computer software and ICT hardware to enhance the education your son receives.

3. Voluntary P & C Donation \$50.00

The Parent and Citizens Association (P&C) raises funds to support the upgrade of school facilities. A voluntary donation of **\$50.00 per family*** will support the work of the P&C. *<u>Please note:</u> this donation request will appear on the statements of account of your eldest son.

3.1 Voluntary ABHS School Building Fund Gift \$50.00

A school building fund is solely for providing money to acquire, construct or maintain the school buildings. The ABHS School Building Fund is a voluntary gift donation of **\$50.00***.

*Please note: this gift to the P&C is a tax deduction.

4. Sport and Physical Activity Contributions

Student participation in planned physical activity includes time spent in physical education, sport and other structured physical activities.

Carnival Type	Term / Location	Amount
Swimming Carnival	Term 1 (23 February 2024) Ashfield Aquatic Centre	\$10.00
Athletics Carnival	Term 2 (Location: yet to be determined)	\$10.00

There are two (2) sport carnivals for 2024:

The carnival amount will be included on your statement of account.

Sport and both swimming and athletics carnivals are compulsory. *All students are expected to attend.*

Additional Information

Statements of Account

Ashfield Boys High School will send student statements of account each term directly to parents via email using a system called School Bytes. These statements will include a link to make secure payments online through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa/Mastercard credit and debits cards accepted.)

Making a Payment – School Bytes

The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and process payments for multiple siblings in one transaction. By default, all the students linked to your account will be displayed, select a student's name to view the charges linked with that student.

Once your portal is activated you can use it to give consent for events, process online payments and view the school calendar. If the charge is related to an activity/event consent must be given before making a payment.

Please note: Transactions made through the online payment portal will appear on your bank statement as 0SCHOOLSONLINE 0000 PARRAMATTA AU.

Detailed steps to access your parent portal and make payments:

- 1. Log into the parent portal <u>https://portal.schoolbytes.education/auth/login</u>
- 2. Select the statement of account icon.
- 3. Select the charges to pay
- 4. Confirm or edit the balance to be paid for each charge
- 5. Select pay now
- 6. Optionally select pay with saved card (This option will only appear if you have previously saved a credit card.)
- 7. Review payment details (If this is your first time making an online payment you will be given the option to 'Save card details for future payments'.)
- 8. Select pay

If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Deputy Principal either Ms Linda Henry (Yrs 7,9,11) or Ms Janina Longman (Yrs 8,10,12) to discuss the possibility of assistance. All family contact with the school regarding contributions is treated confidentially.

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Mr D. Hopwood Principal