6th February 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We write this letter in regards to the “Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund”.

You are eligible to claim this payment if you hold a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card valid on Monday 30th January 2017.

The school will be paid these funds for your child to attend Camps, Excursions and Sporting events. Any funds left over from the current year will be rolled over to the following year. Please note these funds cannot be used for booklists, voluntary charges, fundraising etc.

Please also note that applications need to be submitted to the office with a copy of your Health Care Card/Pension Card before the end of Term 1.

The sooner you apply, the sooner you can use the funds to pay for excursions/camps during the year.

Application forms are available at the school office. Please note, we will need to photocopy your current Health Care Card which we will attach to your application form. If you have already submitted a form at the office, please ignore this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Northover
BUSINESS MANAGER
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)