



# ARUNDEL STATE SCHOOL

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## **Re: Student Resource Scheme 2026 – QParents and Back To School Boost**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to our 2026 school year, I am looking forward to continuing to support our students to achieve another great year of learning and growth.

This letter includes important information about the 2026 Student Resource Scheme (SRS) fees, our QParents app and the new \$100 Back To School Boost.

### **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 student resources such as online subscriptions, apps, equipment, stationery, arts and craft materials that are used by individual students. The Student Resource Scheme has been initiated by the Arundel State School Council and the scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the Arundel State School P&C Association at the meeting held on 13 October 2025.

### **Student Resource Scheme (SRS)**

I would encourage all families to participate in our school's SRS. Due to the bulk buying power available to us as a large school, this scheme offers great value for money at \$85 per student. Participating in the SRS enables our students to have the same quality classroom resources as others. It is a much more affordable way of accessing the online learning programs required for classroom work. These online programs listed below have been carefully selected by our expert teaching staff to enhance your child's learning. Aligned to the Australian Curriculum, these products provide a fun and engaging way to interact with their year levels' core content.

If you have already opted into the SRS in 2026, or in previous years, it is assumed that for the remainder of your child's enrolment, you will continue to participate in the scheme.

If you are a new parent to the school, or you have not completed an SRS Participation Agreement Form (PAF) previously, please complete a PAF form (available on the Arundel State School website) and return to the office as soon as possible.

The information in this letter will assist you in deciding whether you wish to participate in the SRS for 2026. Parents may opt out of the scheme by completing a new PAF form and selecting the opt out option, at the beginning of a school year. If you choose to opt out, you will need to ensure your child is provided with the required resources (below), including access to the online learning. If in the event you wish to opt out, you will be required to contact each of the suppliers to arrange an account. Parents will need to access the list of required classroom resources from our website, or office and

purchase items individually. These resources are required to be given to your child's class teacher by 19/3/26.

A variety of payment options are available for the SRS, including:

- A single payment of \$85 for the full year, which is due 26/2/26; or
- In instalments as follows: \$35 by 19/2/26; \$35 by 5/3/26; and \$15 by 19/3/26.
- Flexible instalment plans can also be arranged to suit your financial needs with final payment due 19/3/26. To set up a suitable payment plan, I would encourage you to contact the school office early in 2026 so that you meet the due dates for payment. Invoices for the 2026 SRS will be issued to all families in Week 1.

### The 2026 Student Resource Scheme Inclusions PREP To Year 2 Students

General Item	Resource / Acquisition Costs	Cost to parent through SRS	Cost to parent if not participating in Scheme
English	<i>Reading Doctor</i>	\$ 20	\$ 99 per child
Mathematics	Prep and Year 1 – <i>Mathseeds</i>	\$ 14.50	\$99 per child
	Year 2 - <i>Mathletics</i>		
Reproduction costs	Worksheets, laminating, copying and other material to compliment learning	\$20	\$20 (estimated)
Consumables	Arts and Craft Materials, cooking/science ingredients and stationery/resources for classroom work/activities and projects	\$30.50	\$30.50 (estimated)
<b>Total SRS Cost</b>		<b>\$85</b>	<b>\$248.50</b>

### Year 3 - 6 Students

General Item	Resource / Acquisition Costs	Cost to parent through SRS	Cost to parent if not participating in Scheme
English	<i>Reading Eggs/Reading Express</i>	\$ 19.99	\$ 109.99 for up to 4 children
Mathematics	<i>Mathletics</i>	\$14.50	\$99 per child
Reproduction costs	Worksheets, laminating, copying and other material to compliment learning	\$20	\$20 (estimated)
Consumables	Arts and Craft Materials, cooking/science ingredients and stationery/resources for classroom work/activities and projects	\$30.51	\$30.51 (estimated)
<b>Total SRS Cost</b>		<b>\$85</b>	<b>\$259.50</b>

### Back To School Boost \$100

Many of you will have heard about the State Government's new **Back To School Boost (BTSB) \$100** to support families with school related costs. Each student's school account will automatically credited



\$100 after 2026 school enrolments are confirmed. We expect this will occur sometime toward the middle of February, an exact date is not known at this stage. This is wonderful news for families and will allow you to pay 2026 SRS, school camps, swimming or any other school related invoices. The BTSB cannot be used for any invoices 2025 or prior, it cannot be transferred to another student and cannot be paid as cash to parents.

To access the BTSB funds, parents must provide consent in writing for the school to apply any funds to an invoice, or invoices. Please find attached a Back To School Boost Choice form. Please complete this form selecting how you would like your child's \$100 to be used. **Please return the Back To School Boost Choice form to the school office by Friday 6 February 2026.** This will assist our administration staff to process any invoices prior to their due date.

### **QParents**

The QParents App is a fantastic FREE resource that will assist parents in managing invoices and accessing information quickly. If you do not yet have this App, I would strongly encourage you to download this on your devices today. Staying connected with the school has never been easier! The QParents App allows you to:

- Provide digital consent for excursions, camps and activities
- Notify absences at the click of a button
- Manage your child's information digitally
- View Report cards as soon as they have been issued (emailed reports take extra administration and time to be sent)
- Pay invoices quickly and view balances owing, or credits remaining
- Receive important school announcements immediately, allowing you to meet deadlines and requirements for school excursions, camps and activities.

Please contact our friendly office staff if you need assistance with QParents. We are only too happy to help.

### **Financial Difficulty**

If you would like to opt into the SRS scheme, but are experiencing financial difficulties, the BTSB \$100 will be of great assistance with managing your financial commitments (SRS, school activities, excursions and camps). Please take advantage of this to pay your fees on time. After using the BTSB, if you are still experiencing financial difficulties that are preventing you from paying for your invoices, please contact the school as soon as possible to arrange an appointment to discuss options. Any information that you provide will be confidential. Our school leaders remain committed to connecting parents with a range of support services and welfare organisations. These services are available to help ensure that finance is not a barrier to students' accessing vital resources.

### **Financial Management**

As with any invoice, parents/carers are required to make payment. All unpaid invoices will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme, or activities, until payments are made.

We look forward to supporting all families to fully utilise their Back To School Boost in 2026. Should you have any queries in relation to our SRS, Back To School Boost, payment of fees, or QParents, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Yours sincerely  
Landon Dare  
Principal

