

Dear Parents and Carers,

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented a challenge for all of us, but the students and staff at Ripponlea Primary School are finally back on campus, busy catching up and continuing their learning journey.

As you know we've had to make some changes to conform to government guidelines to minimise community spread of the virus, one of which has been to cease all fundraising activities for the short-term.

This has meant no Snack Shack, no Hot Cross Bun sales, Mother's Day stalls, Trivia nights, cake sales, smoothie days, market harvests or sausage sizzles. These activities provide our community with lots of fun, but also much-needed funds that go towards improving our school facilities. Our fundraising profit is typically around \$40-50,000 per year, so the school has taken a substantial hit in 2020.

Which is why we need your help.

With the end of the tax year approaching, we would welcome and appreciate any <u>tax-deductible</u> <u>donations</u> to our building fund. These funds will go towards the proposed installation of new split system heating/air-conditioning to the Foundation and Year 1/2 classrooms and will be used to maintain the school buildings.

If you are in a position to donate, you can do so via Qkr, BPAY, eft or direct credit before June 30. There is absolutely no pressure, but any donation – big or small – would be most welcomed.

Hopefully, restrictions around socialising and fundraising will lift in Terms 3 or 4 and we can resume normal operations and celebrate our wonderful community.

Feel free to contact the office for further information.

Warm regards,

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Tarryn Holland, President On behalf of School Council

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