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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Templeton is proud to be a very sought after and high achieving school rated in the top 3% of government schools in Victoria. Our success is due in no small part to the financial support we receive from our parents each year. Within our school your contributions and financial support have allowed us to provide extra staffing, resources and tuition throughout all grade levels, significantly over and above our Department of Education staffing and resource allocations. We believe that the results speak for themselves.

Once again in 2023 our NAPLAN results continued to meet our demanding expectations and is a direct result of the additional support we provide for our students. The financial commitment of our parents will ensure that we can continue to achieve these high standards and maintain our elite ranking in the Victorian education community.

We want to thank you for all your support, currently and in the future, whether that's through the timely payment of our curriculum contributions, supporting any fundraising or volunteering your time. All of this is greatly appreciated and has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer, which every student in our school benefits from, particularly your own!

Each year, the following additional staffing and resources are dependent on your contributions:

- Specialist English Co-ordinator across all year levels
- Specialist Mathematics Co-ordinator across all year levels
- Prep Aide in every Prep classroom
- Staff employed to teach small group extension & support groups in literacy and numeracy from Prep through to Grade 6
- Employment of a qualified school nurse
- Provision of computers, iPads & laptops – ensures parents don't have to purchase own costly devices as in many schools
- Innovative smartboard technology in each classroom
- Employment of Library technician
- Additional library books for Prep-6 students to borrow
- Specially designed new playgrounds and equipment to specifically enhance physical and social activities

Within our school this support has allowed us to continue to provide a differentiated curriculum that responds to the learning of all students, provide essential learning resources to students, renew and enhance the provision of digital technology throughout the school, improve

assessment practices to ensure teaching is targeted to a student's next learning step, establish the STEM Garden as focus for practical exploration of mathematics, upgrade the landscaping throughout the school and rollout interactive whiteboards to support teaching and learning.

Your contributions in 2024 will contribute towards:

- Upgraded playground spaces throughout the school, replacing the soft fall with rubber and modified grass similar to the oval
- Upgraded outdoor learning areas
- The redevelopment of the student first aide room.
- The continued upgrade of computer technology throughout the school

The ongoing financial support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary and that they go directly towards broadening and enhancing the welfare and academic programs we can provide for your child/children. We are looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Templeton's voluntary financial contributions for 2024. Further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy can be located on the DET website.

Yours sincerely,

Rodney McKinlay
Principal

Christopher Munro
School Council President