

School Based Items and Activities – information for parents

As part of providing a full programme of activities to meet curriculum requirements and enhance the curriculum for students at WGC, the school has traditionally provided a range of resources and activities for which parents have contributed. Rulings by the Ombudsman and the Inland Revenue Department and MOE have resulted in some clarification around how these costs must be described.

When viewing your school based items for your child, you will notice that some items are marked as “voluntary contributions” and others as “extra curricular”.

Voluntary Contribution

(Voluntary contributions are classed as a donation and qualify for a tax donation credit rebate of 33%)

Parents can choose whether or not to pay for these items. Regardless of payment, all students enrolled in the subject will be given access to the item. However in the event that a significant number of parents choose not to pay for these items, the school will experience a shortfall in covering costs and reserves the right to cancel the event or item.

Those items marked “voluntary contribution” are items:

- That the school provides as part of the curriculum
- For which the school cannot require payment from parents

Extra Curricular

Those items marked “extra curricular” are items:

- For which the school does not receive funding from the Ministry of Education
- For which the school can require payment before a student can participate in the extra curricular activity or access the item/resource.

Non-payment of Extra Curricular items means that your child will not participate in the activity or receive the resource.

Tax Donation Refunds for Donations and Voluntary Contributions

Donation receipts will be emailed to you in the first week of April for the tax year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 which will include both Donations and Voluntary Contributions. You are able to claim back 33% of the total you have paid, from Inland Revenue. If you have a 'myIR' account you will be able to load your receipt directly into this to claim your rebate. If you wish to set up 'myIR' or have an existing account, please click on the link below:

<https://www.ird.govt.nz/>

or you can download an IR526 and attach your Donation/Voluntary Contribution receipt/s to this and post to the Inland Revenue to claim your donation rebate.

School Based Items by the school - Yr 9

(This will be added to your Kamar Parent Portal in January 2026)

Subject	School Based Items and Voluntary Contribution (Tax Credit may Apply)	Amount
English	* Smartlab Programme	\$ 5.00
Health and Physical Education	* Attitude Talks, Swimming and Workbooks	\$ 12.00
Mathematics	* Dr Frost Platform and Smartlab Programme	\$ 5.00
	* Numeracy Essentials Workbook	\$ 16.00
Science	* Ecology Field Trip	\$ 24.00
	* Smartlab Programme	\$ 5.00
	* Scipad	\$ 25.00
Social Studies	* Aotearoa Histories Booklets	\$ 7.00
	* Aotearoa Histories EOTC Trip	\$ 22.00
	* Parliament Trip	\$ 5.00
Total Core Subject Items		\$ 126.00
Plus Option Subjects:		
Dance	* Half Year - Guest tutors and course materials, etc.	\$ 45.00
Drama	* Half Year - Scripts, course materials, etc.	\$ 35.00
Performing Arts	* Full Year - Scripts, course materials, etc.	\$ 45.00
Languages - Chinese	* Chinese Yumcha	\$ 20.00
Languages - French	* Dynamo 1	\$ 7.00
	* Language Assistant (Terms 2-3)	\$ 10.00
Languages - German	* Stimmt	\$ 18.00
	* Language Assistant (Terms 1-2)	\$ 10.00
Te Ao Māori	* Marae trip	\$ 30.00
Te Reo Māori	* Matariki trip	\$ 30.00
	* Full Year - Te Papa trip	\$ 15.00
Music	* Theory Workbook	\$ 32.00
Technology - Fashion and Textiles Design	* Materials	\$ 43.00
Technology - Product and Spatial Design	* Materials	\$ 39.00
Visual Art - Art Bites	* Half Year - Media, Paper, Card, resources, Paint Tray and Lid	\$ 26.00
Visual Art - Digital Art	* Half Year - Media, Paper, Card, resources	\$ 10.00
Visual Art - Mixed Media Art	* Half Year - Media, Paper, Card, resources, Paint Tray and Lid	\$ 31.00
Music (Itinerant Music)	* Music Lessons Resources Donation - For those who register for itinerant lessons (Please ensure you have registered online for the instrument/voice)	\$ 130.00
* Intranet Access Fee (includes Parent Portal)		\$ 25.00
** ID Card (Please note valid for 1 year)		\$ 12.00
** School Magazine (The Reporter)		\$ 30.00
* - Voluntary Contribution		
** - Extra Curricular		