

Rationale

Fundraising enables our school to deliver an educational offering that goes beyond that supported by government funding alone. This includes additional services and facilities requiring recurrent funding, one-off projects, and capital works.

Aims

To ensure Westgarth PS has sufficient funds to achieve the school's desired educational goals. This policy is the overarching policy that brings together a suite of five (including this policy) separate policies that provide detail around the school's fundraising activities (refer to Related Policies section below).

Actions

Fundraising

School fundraising may take many forms, including:

- *community fundraising*, such as the fete and other Parents and Friends activity (see separate **Community Fundraising policy**)
- *tax-deductible donations* to the school building fund (see separate **Advertising and Sponsorships policy**)
- *sponsorships from local businesses* (see separate **Advertising and Sponsorships policy**). A sponsorship is an agreement by which the sponsor receives something in return from the school.
- *grants* - from government, philanthropic and other sources
- *one-off capital allocations* from government
- Revenue from *hire of school facilities* (see separate **Community Use of School Facilities policy**)

All fundraising profits will be pooled and will be expended in accordance with the approved school budget.

Role of school council

Budgeting:

- School council agrees the school budget each year, on advice from the school leadership.
- Any shortfall in the school budget must be met by fundraising proceeds from the previous year.

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- School council determines the school's capital works priorities.

Communication:

The Principal and School Council President will:

- regularly explain to the community the school budget, the need to raise additional funds via voluntary parent contributions and fundraising, the outcomes of school fundraising efforts, and the purposes to which funds are applied.
- Acknowledge the efforts of parents and others involved in fundraising

Other related policies

This policy represents the overarching policy for a package of policies covering fundraising. Additional policies within this package include:

- Cash Handling
- Advertising & Sponsorships
- Community Fundraising
- Community Use of School Facilities

Refer to our WPS website [school policies](#) section.

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