Participation Levy Policy

**Rationale:**
St John’s Primary School supports the values of community service and purposeful social participation. We encourage parent/community members to complete some of the maintenance work and other activities required at our school.

**Aim:**
To allow parents to connect with the school community by contributing their time to make our school a warm and welcoming environment for all.

**Guidelines:**
Each family is encouraged to contribute their time by accruing a total of 40 points per family or 25 points per single family to tasks per year. Participation activities are recorded in a register located at the front office. Families are responsible for recording details on completion of the activity.

One hour of time given accrues 5 points. Below are some examples of how parents can assist. Parents are also welcome to contact our Principal for other ideas they may have:

- Working Bees
- Food Bank - At your convenience, drop your baked goods in with your name and the date it was cooked
- Gardening - At a pre organised time
- Library - Covering of books etc.
- Carols by the Merri - making slices or manning stalls
- Woodford Races *children may attend the Woodford Races

Helping in the classroom/attending camps and excursions is encouraged and something that parents enjoy doing but are not considered for this Participation Levy.

We understand that some families are time poor and may wish to pay the Participation Levy of $200 for families and $150 for single parents per year.

Families that have failed to participate throughout the year will be issued an account in Term 4. However families that committed to the Woodford Races over the Christmas holiday period and did not fulfil their duty will be issued their account in Term 1 the following year.

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