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**AVOID THE CONGESTION AT
THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.
MAKE AN APPOINTMENT NOW
RE PART PAYMENT FOR 2017**

CASH REGISTER

The Cash Register is open daily from 8:15am – 8:40am and recess time 10:25am – 10:45am. There is also a letterbox located at the Front Desk where parents & students can drop off money or credit card payment slips at any time and receipts will be posted home.

We trust this information will assist all parents/caregivers with their budgeting for 2017 educational expenses



Government
of South Australia

Department for Education
and Child Development

2017 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Distribution of Year 12 Uniforms, stationery and payment of the School Charges can be made at the following times in the Dame Roma Mitchell Centre, Golden Grove High School.

**PAYMENT CAN BE MADE BY
CASH, CHEQUE, CREDIT CARD, EFTPOS,
BPOINT OR DIRECT DEBIT**

DATES AND TIMES OPEN

WEDNESDAY	18th January	1:00pm - 7:00pm
THURSDAY	19th January	1:00pm - 7:00pm
FRIDAY	20th January	8.30am - 1.30pm

Please return your coloured payment form which will be forwarded to you in early January 2017 when making payments.

2017 SCHOOL CHARGES

For 2017, the Golden Grove High School Governing Council has approved the School Charge as \$605.00 for each fee paying student at this school. Additional charges of \$22.00 (inc. GST) for the annual School Magazine and \$8.00 (GST free) for the stationery pack may apply.

The State Government provides teachers, teacher materials and the provision of school buildings and fittings. For our school to provide its extensive curriculum and technology across the curriculum families are asked to pay the full Material and Services charge of \$605.00.

Each year the Financial Advisory Committee (consisting of parents, staff and students) prepare a budget that is presented to the Governing Council for endorsement.

WHAT THE SCHOOL CHARGES INCLUDE

- Use of a locker & padlock
- Selected printed materials distributed to students throughout the year
- Access to some Resource Centre material
- Use of Consumables & Resources for Curriculum
- Hire of textbooks
- Access to Physical Education and sporting equipment
- Meeting the cost of standard Year 8 and 9 art and craft course requirements
- Access to Information Technology
- Materials for Curriculum use

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Payments can be made by Cash, Credit Card, Cheque, EFTPOS, Direct Debit or BPoint (separate procedure information forwarded in January). Available credit card facilities are Mastercard and Visa. **We do not accept AMEX.**

Payment options include:

- payment by instalments as negotiated
- direct debit system from your credit/debit card or bank account
- paying by credit card over the phone
- paying by BPoint (log onto www.goldengrovehs.sa.edu.au, 'Pay invoices Online' by using a credit/debit card only)

Direct Debit by instalment has been implemented in schools to pay school related debts in instalments from your nominated account over a specified period.

An agreement form will be sent to you in January 2017 that will allow for a specified amount to be deducted from your nominated bank account or credit/debit card on a regular basis (weekly, fortnightly or monthly) until the total debt is paid. For further information please contact our Finance Officer, Ms Melissa Ruciack on 8282 6400.

SCHOOL CARD INFORMATION

Eligibility for School Card assistance is dependent upon the combined family gross income for the 2015/2016 financial year. Combined family gross income is defined as the sum of the following for both parents (ie. for the applicant and partner), if partnered at 30th June, 2016.

- Taxable income for the 2015/2016 financial year
- Net rental property loss
- Fringe benefits (eg. provision of a car, entertainment expenses)
- Foreign income including pensions and employment
- Tax-free pensions and benefits (eg. Disability Support Pension, Carer's Allowance)

Gross income does not include any amounts received for:

- Family Tax Benefit Parts A and B
- Child Maintenance payments
- TPI component of Veterans Affairs benefits.

MORE INFO REQUIRED??

School Card Officer

Freecall: 1800 672 758

School Card application forms will be available during fee paying week from the 18th January 2017. Please bring your Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card or any other relevant information with you when collecting an application form.

Upon approval School Card recipients are credited with \$305.00 per qualifying student, off their Materials and Services charges.

Parents/Caregivers may consider paying the 'voluntary' fee of \$300.00 plus the \$22.00 (inc. GST) for the annual School Magazine and \$8.00 (GST free) for the stationery pack.

An easy part payment scheme exists that can support parents/caregivers who choose to make this important contribution.

