

SCHOOL DONATIONS

The school donation is **\$300** per child per year or **\$400** per year for a family (two or more children attending).

You may pay term by term if you prefer or an automatic payment can be set up.

Donations are regarded by the Board as an essential means of funding resources for students, because of the shortfall in government funding. The Board encourages parents to support the school by paying the donation as soon as possible. The money is used towards extra staffing to benefit all students. We appreciate this support from our community.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board meets once a month in the staffroom. The meeting is open to the public and parents are invited to attend. The current Board was elected in June 2013 and consists of seven members. The Board employs all staff and is responsible for all financial and policy decisions. Present members and their Board portfolio are:

- Sandra Jenkins (Principal)
- Anne Cawley (Staff Representative)
- Peter Bateman (Chairperson/Communications)
- Craig Moller (Property)
- Gareth Kershaw (Finance)
- Layla Baatjes-Abrahams (Health and Safety)

The BOT can be contacted by emailing chairperson@freemansbay.school.nz

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Our school welcomes enrolments from students who are not New Zealand Residents. Our school is a signatory to the Ministry of Education Code of Practice which can be found at the website www.education.govt.nz

The Board of Trustees decides the annual fees each year. The current fees for a full school year are NZ\$13,800 incl GST, which equates to NZ\$345 incl GST per week, term time only. These fees cover the cost of tuition in a mainstream class. Additional activities such as school trips, Outdoor Education Experiences, camps, stationery, and visits by groups will be an additional cost. Occasionally short term stays are available for a minimum of 4 weeks with a rate of NZ\$575 incl GST per week.

An application form to enrol can be obtained from our school office. Once fees are paid, a letter will be given to your child to enable him or her to obtain a student visa from the Ministry of Immigration. All International Students must live with their mother or father whilst studying at Freemans Bay School.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL)

Our school employs a learning support team to provide an “English as a Second Language (ESOL)” programme.

PRE-SCHOOL VISITS

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to bring their pre-schoolers for up to three school visits before they turn five. This is to enable them to meet their teacher and to become aware of some school routines. Visiting day is Wednesday, between 9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. Please contact the school office if you wish to take this opportunity to introduce your child to school.