



Karori Normal School

# Parent/Caregiver Donations - 2024

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Karori Normal School is a state funded school and currently we receive around approximately 85% of our income from operations grant funding from the government. The Board of Trustees and the Senior Leadership Team take considerable care in setting the budget, our focus is on each student reaching their potential and it is only through parent and caregiver financial support that we can sustain a quality education for our children. We are therefore seeking your support through the payment of the school donations outlined below. We are very grateful for any donations we receive and thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

## School Donations

As a result of the support of parents and caregivers through the PTA and the School Gala, the amount the school requests as a donation has not changed over the last ten years. In 2024 the requested donation remains as follows:

No of children at KNS	Per Term	Annual Total
1 child	\$65	\$260
2 children	\$120	\$480
3 children	\$175	\$700
4 children	\$230	\$920

The Education and Training Act puts in place an education that is “compulsory, secular and free”. However, the operations grants provided by the government fund only a basic level of resources. It is the parental contributions that provide the extras.

You are entitled to claim a third of your donation back as a tax credit. For example, if you have one child, KNS will still receive the full amount of your \$260 donation but you are able to claim a tax credit of \$86. If you claim this credit, the cost of the donation to your family will only be \$174.

We appreciate that for some families this donation is beyond their current budget. However, to help alleviate this burden, we offer the ability to pay in installments for those that might find this helpful. Please make all school donation payments through Kindo, our school online payment system. Go to our school website [www.kns.school.nz](http://www.kns.school.nz) to the Kindo shop and follow the process.

Although the donation isn't compulsory, can you imagine our school with 15% less resources? Any contribution that you can make is much appreciated by the Board and staff at Karori Normal School.

## Property Donation

The Board is also requesting a Property Donation of \$100 per family. This money will be used to enable us to continue to supplement the MoE funding for classroom upgrades and continue to implement the long-term landscaping plan. The property donations raised will be set aside for property projects.

## Activity Donations

Activity Donations are used for class trips and other curriculum related activities. There may be some instances where the school will make additional requests related to team trips, camps, sporting, or cultural activities. It would be appreciated if payments of these donations were made at the beginning of each term.

## Technology Donations

The Karori West Technology Centre Donation for Year 7 & 8 is \$75.00 for the year. It would be appreciated if the Technology Donation was paid in full by the end of Term 2.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support of our school and your consideration of the request for donations outlined above.

Ngā Mihi

Phil McIntosh  
Acting Principal

Simon Johnson  
Board of Trustees Chair