

Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Levy Exemption Policy



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the school on (03)9772 3471.

Relationship to existing policies:

This policy is to be read in conjunction with the Parent Payment Policy.

Rationale:

This policy explains the operation of the Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Levy Exemption at Bonbeach Primary School. The Farmers' Market is a revenue-generating activity that the school undertakes. The funds from this activity enable the school to continue to provide a high quality educational environment for students.

Aims:

- To provide incentive for parents and carers to volunteer at the Farmers' Market, Working Bees and at Parents and Friends association events.
- To ensure that adequate volunteers are available to support the operation of the Farmers' market, Working Bees and P&F events.

Eligibility for exemption from paying the Levy

To be eligible for exemption from paying the Buildings and Grounds Levy in the following calendar year, families must accrue a total of 10 points from volunteer roles throughout the year.

Points are allocated as follows:

Farmers' Market gate shift, set up or pack up	4
Working Bee	4
P&F event	2
Active member of School Council, P&F committee or Farmers' Market Committee	10 (for active participation for a full calendar year including meeting attendance)

There may be occasions where the principal may approve additional voluntary activities to be allocated points.

Families can accrue their 10 points by completing multiples of the above roles or a variety of each to achieve a total of 10 points.

Students entering Prep are not eligible for an exemption.

Guidelines

Each year, families are required to pay a Building and Grounds Levy upon enrolling their children at Bonbeach Primary School. If families undertake the required amount of volunteer activity outlined above, they qualify for an exemption from paying the Building and Grounds levy in the calendar year after the volunteer work was completed. Volunteer labour is required to ensure the sustainability of the school Farmers' Market. Exemption from paying the levy is the school's way of thanking the families who have helped out throughout the year.

Related Policies and Resources:

- Parent Payment Policy

Review Cycle and Evaluation:

This policy was last updated in July 2021 and is scheduled for review in July 2024 or when the Building and Grounds Maintenance Levy is reviewed.